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THE GOVERNOR DODGES.
The Medical Bill Becomes a Law Without His Signature.
FULL TEXT OF THE MEASURE
His Excellency Lodged to Take a Farewell Shot at the Bill But Concluded to Check the Veto Impulse and Trust to Luck

SALEM Or Feb 27—Governor Pennoyer has decided to allow Pope's bill regulating the practice of medicine and surgery which he has had under consideration since the legislature adjourned to become a law without his signature
The bill should really be vetoed "said he. I do not believe in the clause of the bill which gives three examiners power to take a physician's diploma from him for unprofessional conduct when there is no provision which says what such conduct shall consist of However I shall try to obviate any difficulty by appointing as examiners men known to be cool headed and conservative"
The new law is aimed at quacks and quackery
Following is a copy of the bill
Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon.
SECTION 1.—Every person practicing medicine and surgery, in any of their departments, shall possess the qualifications required by this act. If a graduate of medicine, he shall present his diploma to the board of examiners hereafter provided for for verification as to its genuineness If the diploma is found to be genuine, and if the person named therein be the person claiming and presenting the same, the board of examiners shall issue its certificate to that effect, signed by at least two of the members thereof, and such diploma and certificate shall be deemed conclusive as to the right of the lawful holder of the same to practice medicine in this state. If not a graduate the person practicing medicine in this state shall present himself before said board and submit himself to such examination as said board shall require, and if the examination be satisfactory to the examiners said board shall issue its certificate in accordance with the facts and the lawful holder of such certificate shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges herein mentioned.
SEC 2—The governor shall appoint three persons from among the competent physicians of the state, all of whom shall have been residents of the state for seven years, and of at least five years' practical experience in their profession, who shall be known as the "Board of examiners of the state of Oregon," one of whom shall hold his office for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and each until his successor shall be appointed and qualified and each year thereafter another commissioner shall be so appointed for three years, and until a successor be appointed and qualified. If a vacancy occur in said board, another shall be appointed as aforesaid, to fill the unexpired term thereof Said board shall elect one of their members secretary All certificates shall be signed by at least two members of said board, of whom two shall constitute a quorum to do business, and shall have power to make by laws and all necessary regulations for the proper fulfillment of their duties under this act
SEC. 3—The state board of examiners shall issue certificates to all who shall furnish satisfactory proof of having received diplomas or licenses from legally chartered medical institutions in good standing, of whatever school or system of medicine They shall prepare two forms of certificates one for persons in possession of diplomas or licenses the other for candidates examined by the board. They shall furnish to the county clerks of the several counties in the state all persons receiving certificates. Provided that nothing in this act shall authorize the board of examiners to make any discrimination against holders of genuine diplomas or diplomas under any school or system of medicine.
SEC 4—Said state board of examiners shall examine diplomas as to their genuineness and if the diplomas shall be found genuine, as represented, the secretary of the state board of examiners shall receive a fee of $1 from each graduate or licentiate, and no further charge shall be made to such applicant but if it be found to be fraudulent or not the lawful property of the possessor the board shall be entitled to charge and collect $20 of the applicant presenting such diploma The verification of the diploma shall consist in an affidavit of the holder and applicant that he is the lawful possessor of the same and that he is the person therein named Such affidavit may be taken before any person authorized to administer oaths and the same shall be attested under his hand and official seal of such officer, if he have a seal.
Graduates may present their diplomas and affidavits as provided in this act, by letter or by proxy and the state board of examiners shall issue a certificate as though the owner of the diploma was present.
SEC. 5—All examinations of persons not graduates or licentiates shall be made directly by the board and certificates given by the board shall only authorize the possessor to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Oregon
SEC 6—Every person holding a certificate from the state board of examiners shall have it recorded in the office of the county clerk of the county in which he resides and the record shall be indorsed thereon and a person removing to another county to practice medicine and surgery shall procure an indorsement that effect on the certificate from the clerk of the county court, and shall have the certificate recorded in the office of the clerk of the county to which he removes, and the holder of said certificate shall pay to said clerk of said county the usual fees for making the record.
SEC. 7—The county clerk shall keep in a book provided for that purpose a complete list of certificates recorded by him with the date of issue. If the certificate be based on a diploma or license, he shall record the name of the medical institute conferring it and the date when conferred. The register of the county clerk shall be open to public inspection during business hours.
SEC 8—Examinations may be made in whole or in part in writing and shall be of an elementary and practical character, but sufficiently strict to test the qualifications of the candidate as a practitioner and for each and every one so examined they [the board of examiners] shall receive the sum of $5.
SEC 9—The board of examiners may refuse certificates to individuals guilty of unprofessional or dishonorable conduct and they may revoke certificates for like cause after giving the accused an opportunity to be heard in his defense before the board.
SEC 10—Any person shall be regarded as practicing medicine within the meaning of this act who shall profess publicly to be a physician and to prescribe for the sick, or who shall append to his name the letters M D but nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit students from practicing under supervision of a preceptor, or to prohibit gratuitous services in cases of emergency and that this act shall not apply to commissioned surgeons of the United States army, navy and marine hospital service.
Section 11—Any itinerant vender of any drug, nostrum, ointment or appliance of any kind intended for the treatment of disease or injury, or who shall, by writing or printing or any other method publicly profess to cure or treat diseases, injuries or deformities by any drug or nostrum shall pay to the state a license of $100 per month, to be collected as provided for by law as all other licenses now collected, and any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not to exceed $500 or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment
SEC 12—Any person practicing medicine or surgery in this state without complying with the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not less than $50 nor more than $500, or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period of not less than thirty days nor more than three hundred and sixty five days or by both such fine and imprisonment for each and every offense and any person filing or attempting to file as his own the diploma or certificate of another or a forged affidavit or identification shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to such fine and imprisonment as are made and provided by the statutes of this state for the crime of forgery in the second degree, but the penalties shall not be enforced until a period of six months after the passage of this bill.
SEC 13—The provisions of this act shall not apply to those who are now practicing medicine or surgery within the state of Oregon, provided they shall within sixty days after the passage and approval of this act, cause their names and places of residence to be registered in the office of the county clerk of the county in which they reside in a registry book there to be kept by said clerk to be named a "registry book of practicing physicians and surgeons."
SEC. 14—Inasmuch as there is urgent need for the protection to be provided by this act, the same shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.
The clause which does not suit Governor Pennoyer is section 9 He thinks he has not done his duty in letting the bill become a law believing he should have exercised his veto power He conferred with many physicians before deciding to take the course adopted by him and found that the general opinion of physicians is favorable to the bill as it now stands.

Distress after eating and other dyspeptic symptoms are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

HARRISON'S CALLERS.

A Steady Stream of Office-Seekers and Others.

SPECULATION AS TO THE CABINET

Blaine and Windom Are a Certainty—All Else Is Doubt and Chaos—Ex Governor Moody May Represent the Pacific Coast.

WASHINGTON Feb 27.—This has been a very busy day with the president elect There was a constant stream of visitors, notwithstanding the weather was extremely wet slushy and disagreeable At 2 o'clock the general shut himself up with his family for luncheon The callers included members of congress and other officials and Mr. and Mrs Blaine

CABINET SPECULATION

After luncheon the stream of visitors flowed on as broad and deep as ever Of course up was the absorbing theme everywhere Blaine and Windom were with General Harrison longer than his other callers and this fact served to fasten still more deeply in the popular mind the places assorted them

During the afternoon Russell Harrison visited the capitol and held a consultation with Senators Sherman Quay, Hoar dock and others His presence there set speculation on foot at a great pace The general impression to night is that beyond two or three places nothing is settled. A Pacific coast senator said he was satisfied ten days ago that General Harrison had determined not to give the western slope representation in his cabinet now he is just as well satisfied that a Pacific coast man is under consideration It might be either Estee or Swift of California or ex Governor Moody of Oregon West wants the interior department.

Nebraska men interested in securing a place in the cabinet for John M Thurston are compelled to confess that it looks like John W Noble of Missouri for the place

A new possibility has developed in the person of Congressman Goggswell of Massachusetts who represents the Salem district where Secretary Endicott resides He is an old associate of General Harrison having commanded a brigade with him in General Ward's division

Vermont representatives are urging ex Governor Redfield Proctor for secretary of war and two or three authorities agree in asserting that Governor Rusk of Wisconsin is no longer a possibility in this connection

Two congressmen who called upon General Harrison and talked cabinet to him say Blaine and Windom are the only certainties Wanamaker and Noble are probabilities although considerable opposition to the former has been developed All else is chaos

Naturally the chief interest is about New York Rival delegations are here working for Platt and Miller—one for the treasury and the other for the agricultural department—and it is said the matter is greatly harrassing General Harrison

THEY DINE AT THE WHITE HOUSE

The mysterious letter received by the president elect yesterday afternoon from the White House proved to be an invitation to General Harrison and wife to dine this evening at with President and Mrs. Cleveland The invitation was accepted and at the hour named the guests left the hotel for the White house During the day and evening the ladies received many calls among them members of the Cabinet delegation Minister Preston of Hayti and others

While President and Mrs Cleveland were entertaining General and Mrs Harrison Lamont was initiating Hall and Fish to the mysteries of the official side of the executive mansion

CONGRESSMAN BELDEN GIVES A DINNER.

WASHINGTON Feb 27.—Congressman Belden of New York gave a dinner to-night to the republican members and members-elect of congress from the Empire state After dinner the delegation called on General Harrison and Private Secretary Halford Several members when asked if the cabinet had been discussed assured the associated press reporter that it had not been After the call on General Harrison a number of gentlemen gathered in Senator Hiscock's parlor

THE VICE PRESIDENT ELECT

NEW YORK Feb 27 At 10 o'clock this morning Vice President elect Morton started for Washington

ARRIVAL OF THE MORTONS

WASHINGTON Feb 27 Vice President Elect Morton and Mrs Morton arrived this afternoon and are stopping at the Arlington

HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS

INDIANAPOLIS Ind Feb 27—It is reported that Harrison will startle the country and particularly place hunters by declaring in his inaugural address that he will under no circumstances be a candidate for re nomination four years hence This it is said is to give him greater freedom of action in making appointments

BLAINE'S GOOD JUDGMENT

He Has Volunteered No Advice to General Harrison on Cabinet Matters

WASHINGTON Feb 27—Blaine says positively that he has had no communication with the president-elect about any member of the cabinet except himself and has made no attempt to influence the selection of any of his colleagues He thought the best course to pursue was to keep himself in such a condition that he might be on good terms with anybody who should be invited into the cabinet and that he should give no opinion on the subject to any one unless he might be invited to do so by General Harrison himself

BLAINE GOING S

ALBANY Feb 27 Hon Henry Lord president of the Maine senate to day received the following telegram from James G Blaine "I have this moment read Boutelle's letter suggesting that the legislature provide a portrait of myself to be placed among the portraits of the ex speakers of the national house of representatives Though well intended I regret that the request was made and hope neither the senate or the house will take any action whatever in the matter It would be altogether distasteful to me to have such a proposition submitted to the legislature

A POLITICAL ASPIRANT

A Patrolman Who Wants the Position of Collector of Customs

El Paso Tex Feb 2 Patrolman Bob McKee of the El Paso police force has returned from Indianapolis Ind McKee is a cousin of General Harrison's son in law of the same name and went to Indianapolis to develope his political prospects He wants to be collector at this point This customs district extends from Yuma Arizona near the California boundary line to Presidio Mexico about 800 miles and has forty two candidates for the place. The fight is so bitter that it is sometimes thought that an Eastern man will be appointed

THE "SPELLBINDER'S" DINNER

The Greatest Event at Washington Prior to the Inauguration

WASHINGTON, Feb 27—The event now most talked of to occur prior to the inauguration is the "spellbinder's" dinner on Saturday evening, in the Grand Army hall when the campaign orators of 1888 from the four points of the compass will concentrate at the capital and it is expected that the leading statesmen and orators of the country will be represented by their most talented men

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

Passage of the Last of the General Appropriation Bills.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27—Bland of Missouri to everybody's astonishment, did not do any filibustering when the house opened at 10 o'clock and several matters of minor importance were disposed of during the hour The house then went into committee of the whole on the Indian appropriation bill.

The senate amendment appropriating $1 192 000 to pay the Seminole Indians for lands in the Indian territory ceded to the United States was agreed to The lands acquired 9 037 000 acres, are made open to settlement under the homestead law

Taking advantage of the five minute debate Kennedy of Ohio replying to the censures by Crisp passed upon his conduct as presiding officer of the Ohio senate related the history of the ballot box frauds in Hamilton county. He defended his conduct in refusing to allow the four members of the legislature whose seats were contested to participate in the proceedings and said that such democrats as Thurman and Converse sustained his action which was in accordance with every parliamentary authority

A discussion followed concerning the merits of the contested election case of Sullivan vs Felton but no action was taken

An amendment was adopted authorizing the president to establish two land offices upon the lands opened to settlement by this act The committee rose and the bill was passed It is the last of the general appropriation bills Adjourned

IN THE SENATE

The Proposal to Amend the Interstate Commerce Law

WASHINGTON, Feb 27—In the senate the conference report on the agricultural department appropriation bill was presented and agreed to

The senate bill to amend the law to provide better protection to the salmon fisheries in Alaska was passed

Platt from the committee on territories, reported two bills for the formation and admission of the states of Idaho and Wyoming

Hoar from the committee on privileges and elections reported an amendment to the deficiency bill which was referred to the committee on appropriations, appropriating $... 000 to enable the president to offer a reward for the detection and conviction of the persons who illegally carried away and destroyed the ballot boxes at Plummerville Arkansas It was the majority report a minority dissenting

On motion of Cullom the senate proceeded to the consideration of the senate bill to amend the interstate commerce law and to act upon the house amendments upon which the conference committee was unable to agree

Sherman favored concurrence in the house amendments One of them, he said, gave to the state courts jurisdiction in certain cases on questions arising under the act. As to the other it simply made it unlawful for any common carrier to transport refined oils etc. for any shipper owning, leasing, or controlling cars tanks or cylinders except on condition that the railroad company shall charge the same rate per carload for transportation as it charges for oil transported in barrels He referred to the Standard Oil Company as a gigantic corporation which was not only able to buy cars but also to buy railroads He was in favor of the general principal embodied in the amendment that every railroad company should be required to furnish the same facilities and modes of transportation for all alike

Stewart opposed the amendments and Reagan supported them

Cullom made an argument against them He said that the amendment in relation to the cars for the transportation of petroleum, instead of carrying out equal and exact justice toward the people would enforce an unjust discriminations When one shipper required a railroad company to furnish a certain kind of car and the company declined to do so and when the shipper furnished such cars for himself it did not seem to him that such shipper was required by common law or should be required by statute any law to supply the same facilities for all other shippers in the business

As to the other house amendment, relating to the jurisdiction of the state courts Cullom believed that the result would be that there would be different decisions on the construction of the national law He was anxious to go just as far as he could consistently with law the constitution and duty in protecting the people but he was not willing to go so far as to take a step of doubtful propriety Already the railroads of the country were suffering under difficulties which come not from interstate legislation not from any act of congress but from the conditions which had prevailed before the passage of the interstate law

No action was taken on the amendments and after the transaction of some other unimportant business the senate adjourned

NOMINATIONS

William S Rosecrans late brigadier general of the United States army to be brigadier general from February 2 1889 to be placed on the retired list William J Smith late major of engineers to be major of engineers from February 2 1889 to be placed on the retired list

NORTHWESTERN INTERESTS

Oregon's Indian War Claims Postal and Penal'n Notes Etc

WASHINGTON Feb 2—Senator Dolph who has been urging consideration of the claims of the state of Oregon on the treasury department for the expenses incurred in the Nez Perces Indian war has been notified by the second controller that the claim has been audited and certified for $38 132 and was assured that an estimate for the same would be immediately sent to the senate

Senator Dolph yesterday offered an amendment to the deficiency bill for the necessary appropriation providing for the payment of the claim

Senator Sawyer has reported favorably to the senate the bill granting a pension of $ 5 per month to Colonel William A Martin of Douglas county Or

POSTAL MATTERS

Postoffices have been established at Independence Bingham county at Morse Chesterfield county and at Warrior Alturas county Idaho Julius C Spaulding Frank A Rees and E M Henderson have been appointed postmasters of the respective offices.

John Miles James J Smith and S P Blair have been commissioned postmasters at Claquato Cheltum and at Montesano Washington Territory

PATENTS

Patents have been granted as follows Washington Territory—August L Banks of Bellingham automatic logboom William M White of Tacoma bayloader

Oregon—William and G W Johnson of Portland amalgamator

Patents were to day issued from the general land office to the state of Oregon for 8 848 acres under the swamp land grant

PERSONALS

Mrs A L Dinway for a long time editress and proprietress of the *New Northwest* published at Portland Oregon died with Senator Mitchell last evening at the residence of Senator Mitchell's daughter Mrs Hands

Henry Hewitt jr of Tacoma is in the city

THE FORFEITURE BILL

All Hope of an Agreement Abandoned by Its Friends

WASHINGTON Feb 27—There was no meeting to day of the conferees on the land grant forfeiture bill Notwithstanding the excellent prospects of last week of an agreement on this measure all hope of reaching one has now been given up by its friends.

For Repairing the Flag Ship Hartford

WASHINGTON Feb 27—The bill appropriating $175 000 for the repairs of the old flag ship Hartford which passed the house last session and which was referred to the committee on naval affairs of the senate, will be reported favorably to the senate

More Admission Bills.

WASHINGTON Feb. 27—The senate committee has ordered Mitchell and Teller's bills for the admission of Idaho and Wyoming to be favorably reported. Substitutes for them will be presented by the minority but the differences are immaterial.

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PACIFIC COAST EVENTS.

Hart Wins the San Francisco Walking Match.

TOWAGE AT THE GOLDEN GATE

Lightning From a Cloudless Sky—The Train Robbers—Rich Gold Strike—Result of the Nevada Election—Etc

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 27—The walking match ends at 10 o clock to-night. The score at 1 o'clock stood Hart 480 miles Moore, 488, Howarth, 456, Pat Guerrero, 396

THE RACE WON BY HART

The six day go-as you please match came to an end this evening at 10 P M and was won by Hart (colored) with 526 miles Moore was second with 520 miles and 2 laps

The management claimed that the gate receipts amounted to $20 000 of which Hart will get 60 per cent and Moore 40 per cent

The following is the score of the others who finished in the match Pat Guerrero 408 miles and 3 laps Broeder 273 miles "Oolely Ooofty, 225 miles Old Sport Campana, 385 miles and 6 laps Crozier 303 miles and 2 laps

Cartwright says he will run Gus Guerrero or any other man any distance for from $500 to $1000.

Gus Brown and a man named Boyd had a mule race this evening Boyd winning in 6 41½

Guerrero this evening running against time, covered a half mile in 2 22¼

TOWAGE AT SAN FRANCISCO.

The Combination Broken and a War of Rates Started

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 27—When the Pacific Towing Company was absorbed by the Merchants and Ship Owners' Tow Boat Company a few months ago the latter company made a combination with Messrs John D Spreckels & Bros the agreement providing that the tugs of the two companies would not under bid one another when competing for outside work This agreement was kept inviolate until Monday when the tug Sea Witch, of the Merchants Towing Co hailed a ship and offered to tow the vessel into port for $50 just as the same time the tug Active of Spreckles line came up and offered to tow for $70 The captain of the Sea Witch steamed away from the ship which was towed into port by the Active.

All the tug owners now say Yes, a combination existed but it has been broken and now the business will be every man for himself"

A group of ship owners when talking of the change, stated that their tow boat work would now be done at much lower prices than formerly, and that a tow which formerly cost $150 would now be done for $100 or less

STRANGE ELECTRICAL PHENOMENON

A Little Boy Struck by Lightning From a Cloudless Sky.

LOS ANGELES, Feb 27—A strange phenomenon occurred near Ontario, in this county, Saturday morning While the 8-year-old son of James Vanwig, a rancher started across an open field to join his father, who was at work Mrs Vanwig, sitting on the front porch watched the little fellow plodding across the plowed ground, when suddenly the eyes of the mother and of the father who had stopped work, watching the little boy coming were blinded by an indescribable flash of light. When they regained their vision they saw Willie lying on the ground He had swooned and was badly injured His hair eyelashes and eyebrows were burnt entirely off His clothes were scorched and burned in places

He was resuscitated with great difficulty and has not yet entirely recovered from the shock His burns were very deep and painful There was not a single cloud in the sky at the time, nor any wind Electricity was undoubtedly the cause

THE S P. TRAIN ROBBERS.

Important Information Gathered Concerning Them—Hopes of Their Capture.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 27 — The Wells Fargo Company's officials are yet without any late tidings from the train robber pursuers in Tulare county From railroad men and press dispatches comes news which gives hopes that the robbers will soon be captured

General Superintendent Fillmore of the Southern Pacific says that it is best to keep back at present some very important information regarding them, which has just been obtained He is perfectly satisfied that the robbers never stopped a train in this state before and he is equally positive that there are but two of them

The pursuers now number fully 150 men The sheriff of Stanislaus county is confident that he has found a warm trail

RICH GOLD FINDS.

New Mines in Lower California Yielding from $1 to $3 50 Per Pan.

SAN DIEGO, Feb 27—Considerable interest has been aroused here over gold finds in Lower California. A Union special from Ensenada says "The discoveries embrace a quartz lead and placer diggings Several parties have arrived here with large nuggets It is stated the people in the diggings are taking out from $1 to $2 50 per pan One large nugget, weighing $230, was brought in and sold by a miner named Gaskill. People are thronging from Ensenada and neighboring towns and many will go from San Diego.'

NEVADA'S SPECIAL ELECTION.

The Returns Canvassed by the Supreme Court—The Results

CARSON Nev Feb 27 – The special election returns were to-day canvassed by the judges of the supreme court The amendments passing received the following majorities Convening the legislature on the third Monday in January 1890 prohibiting special laws in certain cases; 622, authorizing the legislature to increase, diminish, consolidate or abolish county offices, 1889 providing for the investment of school funds 3052 disqualifying duellists or abettors, 893, increasing the state tax levy for educational purposes, 1582 The defeated amendments were lost by the following majorities Abolishing the office of lieutenant governor 4053 providing for a lottery 859 providing for a state Library 1601 shortening the time required to amend the constitution

PRINTERS CONVENTION.

The Flourishing Condition of the Typographical Unions Demonstrated

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 27 A printers convention the first held in the United States met here this afternoon The following cities were represented Portland San Jose Fresno Lordsburg Oakland Stockton Los Angeles Sacramento and Salem The Pyle Founders union was also represented J R Winders of San Francisco was elected chairman Reports from various cities showed the typographical unions to be flourishing except in Fresno and Portland The convention adjourned until to morrow

Captain John O Brien is the delegate from Portland During to-day's session he was appointed one of the members of the committee on credentials, and later on his motion, that the convention recommend to subordinate unions the advisability of the universal acceptance of the current working cards of sister unions was adopted

RATES ON CANNED FRUITS.

Reduced to 90 Cents on Shipments to Fast ern Common Points.

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 27—The *Examiner* to-morrow will say "The fight for a reduction of the canned fruit rate on the trans continental lines was ended yesterday in a manner satisfactory to shippers and railroads The opposing factor the Texas & Pacific road consents to a reduction of the rate from $1 10 per 100 pounds to 90 cents on shipments from this state to all common points East having surrendered to-day and now the Transcontinental Association can formally announce the latter rate It will have the effect of saving to California fruit shippers between fifty and one hundred thousand dollars.'

THE ROYAL WEDDING IN CHINA

Not Little Interest in the Event Taken in Chinatown.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 27.—As regards the marriage of the emperor of China yesterday, it would seem that the Chinese of this city are not taking much interest in it. There is a great deal more concern expressed in Chinatown about the movements of the police regarding lottery and gambling games than there is about the marriage of the emperor of the Chinese kingdom. Residents of the Chinese quarter do not seem to care whether their young emperor is married or not A few of the Chinese merchants express themselves as highly satisfied with the choice of the empress dowager, and think that everything political and otherwise will go on as usual in the celestial empire They seem to place great confidence in the judgment of the empress dowager and hope she will live many years yet to guide the young emperor until he has arrived at a reasonable age

The great body of Chinese though which make up the population of Chinatown are Americanized to an extent that they seem to care more for the standard dollar of our country than they do for the welfare of China or the domestic relations of its emperor

RECEPTION TO THE LEGISLATURE.

Governor Waterman Entertains the California Lawmakers at His Residence

SACRAMENTO Feb 27 Governor Waterman tendered a reception at his residence to night to the members of the legislature state officers and other invited guests The residence and grounds were handsomely decorated and illuminated and the affair was a brilliant social success

The reception was attended by nearly every member of the legislature many of whom were accompanied by their wives and among the company were many other distinguished citizens of the state

TWO CAPTAINS' RIVALRY.

An Ocean Race Begun to the Hawaiian Islands

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 27—The bark C D Bryant and schooner W S Bowen sailed for Honolulu this morning Considerable rivalry exists between the captains of the two vessels as to which commands the faster boat Recently the vessels raced to the Islands and back, but it resulted unsatisfactorily and in consequence another race was agreed to and $500 is been put up by both sides as to the results of the present voyage The Bryant has a cargo valued at $23 569 and the Bowen one valued at $8923

CALIFORNIA NEWS ITEMS

Personal and General Notes.

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 27 J K Stateler, of the Northern Pacific, will leave the city to morrow for Southern California

The remains of nine more bodies were unearthed by workmen at the new city hall to day making thus far about sixty which have been found and reburied at the city's expense

Clark Ainsworth one of the oldest residents of the Big Bend country is in the city Clark says that although this region was a vast wilderness five years ago, it is now being rapidly settled

The ship Santa Clara from Tacoma bound for Cork, which put into this portion on account of the illness of the captain resumed her voyage to day Capt Dunn is suffering from typhoid fever and his place was filled by Captain Fuller of the E B Sutton

The steamer Oregon was detained to day in her departure for over an hour in consequence of the fog So much freight is being shipped north just now that a large quantity for which the Oregon could not find room is lying on the dock for shipment by the State of California, which was expected early this morning

The property known as the Tenth Street hotel at Los Angeles has been purchased by George M Pullman for about $70 000 and it is said that he will continue the contemplated improvements and build a hotel to cost a million and a half

The second class or tourist car union business is in a sad state None of the companies running these excursions know just what to tell passengers with reference to sleeping car rates Some of them have taken the responsibility to run them out free of sleeper rates Some of the agents pay the Pullman rates for the passengers, and others make extra charges while still others claim the authority to fix up cars independent of Pullman and send them through to the East The same lack of understanding of the right thing to do seems to be prevalent among the Eastern agents

Steamer Service To Be Increased

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 27—D F Brown, district freight and passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific, who came down from Vancouver a day or two since said to day that the steamers of that company running between Vancouver and Hong Kong would soon be increased in number from three to five This will be to accommodate the rapidly increasing transpacific trade enjoyed by the company.

We have never had to solicit any business for our steamers," said Brown, and have often had to refuse to take shipments owing to the crowded state of our freights from Oregon to China have been quite heavy of late Our established rate from Portland as well as that of the Pacific Mail from this city is $7 per ton, but we have lately had to cut under that, owing to the brisk competition by sailing vessels, which are making rates of $5 to $6 per ton

The company has let contracts for the construction of a line to connect with the Seattle Lake Shore & Eastern and by September will be able to run its trains into Seattle

Fresno Notes.

FRESNO, Cal Feb 27—T McF Patton and wife of Salem, Oregon are in the city visiting friends Patton was American consul at Calcutta, under the Garfield–Arthur administration and will probably hold an important position under Harrison

Lee Laughlin, of North Yamhill Oregon is visiting in this city Monday Laughlin was shown about the city and driven through the colonies. He expressed great surprise and admiration at and for many of the costly buildings being erected here

You have," said he "more fine buildings in the course of erection than we have at Portland'

A Much Sought After Official

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 27—Richard Gray general freight agent of the Southern Pacific Company is a much sought after official Could a Missouri Pacific Company made him an offer to take charge of its freight department a few weeks ago He declined the offer but had no sooner done so before the Santa Fe Company wanted him to become its freight official He declined the latter proposition a few days ago because it is said the Southern Pacific Company gave him a big advance in salary to stay with it

Arrested for Grand Larceny.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb 27—C H Barr was arrested here last night by Detectives Hutton and Silvey, on a warrant from Fresno charging him with grand larceny.

Travelers going East should not forget that the sleeping car accommodation at No 121 First street, corner Washington, office Northern Pacific Railroad.

NORTHWESTERN NEWS

A New Trial Wanted in the Seattle Seduction Case.

A VIGILANCE COMMITTEE AT WORK

News Notes From the Inland Empire—Renewal of the Lynn County Judgeship Contest Events at the Capital

SEATTLE W T Feb 27—It is not likely that James Wickersham will be sentenced at this term of court This afternoon his attorneys presented a motion for an extension of time and arrest of judgment that they may prepare a motion for a new trial With the motion is filed an affidavit saying that it will be necessary to have a complete transcript of all the evidence of the trial before the motion can be prepared and that it will take two weeks for such preparation Judge Burke intimated that he would grant to day's motion but he will decide to morrow Judge Burke inquired particularly into Wickersham's bonds and said that in the event he grants an arrest of judgment he shall insist on good and sufficient bail The attorneys for the defense asked if the present $1000 bonds would do and the judge said he thought it likely it would

VIGILANCE COMMITTEE ORGANIZED

One Man Robbed and Another Believed To Have Been Murdered

SEATTLE W T Feb 27—A brief dispatch to night from Whatcom says J F Buchanan was robbed by highwaymen yesterday on Lake Whatcom road, and that a man found dead to day is supposed to be a victim of robbers A vigilance committee has been organized to regulate these outrages, and to enforce law and order

COLFAX NOTES.

A Fatal Casualty—Personal and Improvement Notes—Etc.

COLFAX W T Feb 27—A transfer for the Cram property on Main street was made yesterday to Wm Tippitt for Colfax lodge I O O F The bank of Colfax and C B Newman owning adjoining property will join the lodge in putting up a handsome union brick block seventy feet front and three stories high to replace the wooden structure now occupying the premises

Last Friday George W Jones, a farmer living near Almota was kicked by a colt receiving injuries from which he died on Sunday The body was brought to this city embalmed and on Wednesday sent to his former home Waupun Wisconsin where his parents reside Deceased was unmarried and about thirty years of age

Cards announcing the marriage of I H Miller and Miss May Judson at Seattle on the 18th have been received here, where they formerly resided

Dr John Benson of Farmington will remove to Colfax March 1

Charles Platt departed for Chicago Friday

Charles Adams cashier of the First National bank and A L Mills of the Bank of Colfax left Friday for Washington and other Eastern cities Ben Ankeny of Walla Walla will occupy Mr Adams's position during his absence

Sheriff elect McLean has appointed John Walters of Garfield as his jailer who will take charge of the inmates of the county jail on April 1

Union services will be held Sunday evening at the United Presbyterian church conducted by Rev Whalley, of the Congregational church

The annual election of officers of the Colfax Woman's Christian Temperance Union takes place next Thursday afternoon at the United Presbyterian church

Quite a number of immigrants have arrived lately and more are coming daily There is considerable demand for city and farm property, and real estate dealers are on the jump

The coming administration of Washington occasions a general feeling of satisfaction and rejoicing here

It is reported that a Chinaman was hanged to a limb near Lokoa yesterday for daring to seek work on the railroad in defiance of the edict recently given out by white laborers that no Chinese need apply

C O Harmon went to Dayton yesterday on a week's visit

The O R & N Company have paid $12 983 51 into the treasury of Whitman county for taxes

FROM ALBANY.

Renewal of the Judgeship Contest The Street Railway—Etc

ALBANY Feb 27—The old contest of Judge J J Whitney against Judge D R N Black burn for the county judgeship of Linn county, which was heard before Judge Bonse and dismissed has been revived Yesterday afternoon the contestants filed a notice of appeal in the case to the supreme court and the matter will be reviewed by that body The increase of salary of the judge of this county is thought to be the incentive of renewal of the suit

Forty one pedagogues of Linn county are undergoing examination for teacher' certificates in this city

A franchise was granted to the Albany Street Railway Company by the city council last night and the managers of the company say the work of construction will be commenced at once

TACOMA NEWS ITEMS

Arrival of Northern Pacific Officials—District Court Notes

TACOMA Feb 27—S R Ainslie general superintendent and M C Kimberly assistant general superintendent of the Northern Pacific railroad arrived here in a special train to day and after inspecting the work at the head of the bay left to night for Portland Mr Kimberly has just been appointed to his present position in place of N D Root who was killed in this city about two weeks ago He was formerly superintendent of the St Paul division and the Little Falls & Dakota railroad

In the district court, the jury in the case of Clarke vs Easterly receiver of the Puget Sound Insurance Company gave a verdict for the plaintiff for $1000 The grand jury returned five indictments and ignored one bill

News Items From Salem

SALEM OR Feb 27—Articles of incorporation were filed in the secretary of state's office by the Pacific Pool Coal Company C M Ellsman G B Markham & W Wiket incorporators capital to 1, $100 000 principal office Portland

Charles P Lockwood Eugene City has been appointed notary public

Sheriff Murray of Malheur county brought to the state asylum to day, R S Jones 31 years old a machinist born in Alabama His insanity is due to religious hallucination He says he is the second Christ and is First of Lords and king of kings that he is a prophet and will be crucified He is subject to homicidal tendencies

George P Lamb of Mohawk was in Salem to day and reports having secured the right of way five miles in this direction from Mohawk in readiness for any company wanting to build a railroad from Salem to an Oregon Pacific connection

Sheriff Kelly of Portland, arrived this evening with Julius De Pauley bound to the penitentiary for seven years

Sixteen male and thirty nine female candidates for teachers certificates are under examination before the county superintendent to day

The woolen mill subsidy only lacks $1 000 of being raised

Walla Walla News Items

WALLA WALLA, W T, Feb 27—A shooting match Tuesday between T K Straight and A W Dubray resulted in the latter winning by 6 points The rifle shooting was 100 yards off hand Creedmoore targets pistol shooting same 6 target and conditions 60 yards distance, each shooting 25 shots Live birds were 10 singles and 5 doubles Peorias were the same number The shooting was witnessed by a large assemblage The match was closely contested, both men shooting in good form. Dubray won all the matches but the one at single Peorias

Wheat is selling at 64 for Portland, and 66 Tacoma delivery. A large amount is yet held for better prices in this vicinity

The creamery made its first output Tuesday The result was 660 pounds of fine butter

The New Mexican Legislature.

SANTA FE, N. M., Feb 27—Under the new law, the territorial senate to-day appointed and confirmed the following as district attorneys R E Twitchell, 2 C Wade and Vocal Miranda, Albuquerque, Miguel Salazar,

J A Anchata and W. C. Wrigley Twitchell acts as solicitor-general for the territory until October next, when the power of the governor takes effect Both branches of the legislature to-day passed a bill creating an irrigation commission, with headquarters at Santa Fe and appropriating $10 000 for advertising the resources of New Mexico

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY.

A Slight Misunderstanding Between the United States and Canada

OTTAWA, Ont, Feb 27—The report of the interior department contains the following with reference to the Alaska boundary It presents a subject of dispute between Canada and the United States Observations of William Ogelvie in charge of the surveys in the Yukon district have not yet been completely reduced but approximate calculations show that the boundary is barely two miles below the point where it is marked on the United States map This is of great importance as the line passes through the best gold bearing district so far discovered in the country

A NEW RAILWAY SYNDICATE

Proposed Construction of a New Line Parallel to the Montana Central

NEW YORK Feb 27—The *Mail and Express* says A new railroad line is to be built from Harrison on the main line of the Northern Pacific up Boulder valley to Boulder thence into Butte parallel part of the way with the Montana Central It will be fifty miles shorter than by way of Harrison and Helena

It is expected that the line will do a heavy business carrying Rockford coal into Butte The Rockford company's rights have been bought by a syndicate made up of Villard Huggin, Oakes Hooper and others

THE SALE OF O R & N. STOCK.

A Negotiating Committee Appointed by the Transcontinental Company.

NEW YORK Feb 27—At the meeting of the Oregon & Transcontinental directors to day a committee was appointed to conduct the negotiations for the sale of the Oregon Railway & Navigation stock in the treasury to the Union Pacific and Northern Pacific companies who will deposit it under the trust proposed in the arbitration contract, which is now in the hands of the Union Pacific for ratification If the sale is consummated the Transcontinental Company will probably go into liquidation

OUR NEXT BRITISH AMBASSADOR

A Report That Sir John McDonald Has Been Offered the Position

OTTAWA, Feb 27—The report is in circulation that Sir John McDonald has been offered the post of British ambassador to the United States. The British government it is stated began to realize the necessity of sending a Washington representative well informed in North American affairs If Sir John accepts the alleged offer Sir Charles Tupper will probably assume the leadership of the Dominion government

A REJECTED LOVER

Kills His Sweetheart and Commits Suicide to Avoid Capture

ALTONA Ill Feb 27—Edward Artuse shot Lottie Palmer on a public street yesterday afternoon, inflicting a fatal wound Artuse was a rejected lover He fled and was pursued by an infuriated mob for three miles when he shot himself through the heart dying instantly Both were colored His mother went insane as a result

Convention of Republican Leagues

BALTIMORE Feb 27—The hotels are rapidly filling with delegates to the convention of the national league of republican clubs which will meet to-morrow Several constitutional amendments are to be adopted and plans to be perfected for solidifying the organization so as to secure effective and uniform work.

The Chief Justice of Montana.

CHICAGO Feb 27—Richard A Harlow of Helena Mont., formerly of this city is being extensively indorsed here for appointment under General Harrison as chief justice of Montana Mr Harlow is a son of George H Harlow who served with distinction as secretary of state of Illinois

The Ballot Box Thief Held to Answer.

LITTLE ROCK Feb 27—Robert Watkins the alleged Plummerville ballot box thief was held in bonds of $5000 for a hearing Thursday

Failure at Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS Feb 27—Folds & Griffiths dealers in carpets etc have assigned Their liabilities are placed at $100 000 Assets $75 000

Ten Thousand Chicagoans Will Be Present

CHICAGO Feb 27—It is thought that at least 10 000 persons from this city will attend the inauguration ceremonies at Washington

A Cashier Skips.

CHICAGO, Feb 27—Jacob E Goodman, cashier in the county treasurer's office, skipped with $7000 of the county's funds

Turpin State's Evidence

NEW YORK Feb 27—Bookkeeper Woodruff has turned State's evidence against Ives and Stayner

DESIGNS FOR COINS

American Money Deficient in an Artistic Sense

Philadelphia Record

Mint Director Kimball thinks that the designs of American coins are mediocre and he desires to have a change, as he believes that the coins of every great nation of the world surpass those of the United States in an artistic sense. A bill is now pending in congress, earnestly supported by Senator Morrill and the mint director which stipulates that there shall be a change in the style of coinage every twenty five years

"With the exception of the new 5 cent piece and dollar there has been no change in design for about forty years said Charles E Barber, engraver at the Philadelphia mint, recently It is perhaps, only natural that people should clamor for a new style but they will be very hard to satisfy if every new coin shall be subjected to as much adverse criticism as was heaped upon the new dollar and nickel piece It is a difficult task to make a proper design for a coin The most skillful artists and sculptors have submitted designs that are entirely inpracticable owing to their impracticability, according to law or limited which is an absolute necessity in coin designing The designer of a medal, which admits of high relief and statuesque figures is pretty sure not to succeed in designing a stamped coin

For this reason there is very little real competition in the designing of coins When the director of the mint advertised for new designs some time ago those that were submitted to him were most grotesque and ridiculous They were largely of the spread eagle order—a Goddess of Liberty borne aloft on a soaring bird surrounded by sky rockets shooting stars and fireworks generally It is a marvel that the directors did not see that the alleged artists' lack of esthetic culture

Of course America is not without artists who both understand the art of coin making and are gifted with true esthetic taste But the American designer is at a certain disadvantage because of the limitations imposed upon his work The law requires medals in this country and the nature of the design required is so distinctly defined by law as to allow but little variation from one idea The European nations grant a much wider scope yet I cannot say that I assent to Senator Morrill's emphatic declaration of the immense superiority of their coins to ours

The mint officials are loth to express any opinion about new coin designs that may appear antagonistic to the views of the director Superintendent Pox, however, said yesterday that he thought no change should be contemplated until suitable designs have been submitted for approval. He thought it would be a good idea to have designs submitted periodically, say every twenty five years, but he believed there should be no law that will compel a change unless such change be a manifest improvement

A Singular Accident.

Corvallis Gazette Joe Avery, the little son of Fun Avery who a short time since was brought home from Mt Angel school in Marion county, having been taken sick with brain fever, is in a critical condition On Sunday Dr Flint, who has been attending him, attempted to test his temperature by placing a small thermometer in his mouth. Joe being in a delirious state crushed the heat tester and swallowed all the mercury and a portion of the glass. The action of the mercury was soon felt, and the patient suffered terribly. On Wednesday he was thought to be a little better, and on Thursday was still improving, with a small chance for recovery.

PIGOTT FLED TO PARIS.

A Letter Received by the Times's Dublin Solicitor.

THE PAPER MAKES AN APOLOGY

Parnell Supplements the Disclosures By Declaring on Oath That the Letters Were Forgeries—Pigott's Where-abouts in Doubt

LONDON Feb 27 An immense crowd was present in the court room this morning when the session of the Parnell commission was opened Much excitement was manifest It was generally known that the attorney general would arrive at the court room early At 10 o'clock Sir Richard Webster stated to the court that Shannon the Irish Dublin solicitor had received a letter to him from Pigott who was in Paris The letter was sent in Pigott's writing Shannon immediately identified the wood and hand writing of the receipt of the letter The attorney general then read the letter It was dated Saturday at 10 and contained the confession of Pigott made to Labouchere on Thursday Pigott added that he desired to fully disclose that he fabricated the alleged fac simile of Parnell's letter published in the *Times*, and other letters were furnished that paper The information being interested with the American Brotherhood after he sold his newspaper, the *Irishman*

He told Houston he found the letters in a bag but he fabricated them using the genuine letters of Parnell and Egan in copying certain words showing the general character of writing and in forming them against a window pane. He afterwards destroyed the genuine letters The second batch of letters ascribed to Parnell were imitated from the fac-simile published in the *Times* He did see Breslin in America He admitted that Labouchere's account of the interview between them was in the main correct. The letter dated Saturday was enclosed in an other letter dated Hotel Du Monde Paris Tuesday and saying Before leaving the enclosed (the confession) was handed me having been left while I was out I will write again soon'

THE 'TIMES' REGRET

Attorney General Webster said everybody would agree that nobody could attach any weight to Pigott's evidence and it became his duty to ask the court to withdraw from consideration the genuineness of the letters The *Times* he said desired to express regret for publishing the letters and the proprietors of that paper would themselves more fully express their regret later He repudiated the allegation made by Sir Charles Russell yesterday that there was foul conspiracy between Pigott and Houston If such a conspiracy existed the *Times* had no share in it It was an error of the *Times* and beyond that the court should make the fullest inquiry Sir Charles Russell said he had hoped the attorney general would make a stronger statement

Parnell was then sworn He denied signing the alleged letter of the 16th of May Campbell his secretary did not write the letter Witness hadn't heard of such a letter until he saw it published in the *Times* Campbell had gone to Antwerp to endeavor to find Pigott Parnell denied the genuineness of the letters purporting to have been signed by himself and Egan He said he and Egan had an extensive correspondence He dictated to Campbell the letter regarding an interview asked by Pigott. The letter which the *Times* reproduced was evidently imitated from it He had no interview with Pigott The court then adjourned until Friday

TO EXTRADITE PIGOTT

LONDON Feb 27 In the house of commons to-day Hon Henry Matthews secretary of state for home affairs, stated that the authorities were taking steps to secure the extradition of Pigott from Paris Matthews also said he had no information regarding Houston at present that would justify him in preventing Houston from leaving the country

Pigott's arrest in Paris is imminent but it is doubtful whether the French government will regard perjury as extraditable

PIGOTT'S WHEREABOUTS DOUBTED

LONDON Feb 27—The *Times* has withdrawn its advertisement of Parnellism and O Donnell versus Walter Applements for pamphlets are informed that they are out of print It is doubted whether Pigott is in Paris as reported. The landlord of the Hotel du Monde says that he has not seen him The rumor is current that Pigott cashed a check for £25 in London yesterday morning

PIGOTT'S MOVEMENTS

LONDON Feb 27—It is believed that Pigott posted a letter to Shannon at the railroad station in Paris and then proceeded for either Italy or Switzerland Reappears that Pigott obtained Monday from Sotheby's book mart a check for £25 in payment for a number of race books Pigott had the check cashed that afternoon The last time he was seen he was walking on Boleil street An Englishman having the appearance of Pigott but who gave no name, arrived at the hotel De Monde Paris at 6 o clock Thursday morning After breakfasting he wrote a brief note on hotel paper, and enclosed it with other papers in an envelope upon which he wrote a London address He left again between 8 and 9 o clock

A crowd of friends besieged Parnell in the lobby of the commons to day Sir W B Barkelot, conservative, shook hands with Parnell Parnell as yet has come to no decision regarding his action but is determined to follow Sir Charles Russell's conspiracy suggestion

THE OPINION OF THE LONDON 'NEWS'

LONDON, Feb 27—The *News* says If anything could add to the degradation of the *Times* avowal it would be the terms in which Sir Richard Webster made his so called apology For the credit of the bar Sir Richard ought to have refused to connect himself with such an ignoble composition If the bar cannot express its opinion of such behavior parliament must be invited to do so promptly

The *Daily News* says The *Times* tried to destroy Parnell but Parnell has destroyed the *Times* Never again shall any man who respects himself read its base accusation without a smile or languid disgust The *Times* is no representative of the English press We do not hesitate to say that no other English paper would have been capable of engaging in the abominable traffic which has led the *Times* to such a dismal depth of infamy'

THE APOLOGY OF THE TIMES

LONDON Feb 28—The *Times* to day has a leading editorial quotes in full the apology tendered by Attorney General Webster before the Parnell commission for the publication of the forged letters and continues

Having a desire to indorse every word of the foregoing statement moreover, Mr Parnell having, in the witness box stated that the letters are forgeries we accept in every respect the truth of the statement In these circumstances we deem it right to express our regret most fully and sincerely for having been induced to publish the letters as Mr Parnell's or to use them in evidence against him'

The expression of regret included also the letters falsely attributed to Mr Egan Mr Davitt and Mr O Kelly We sincerely fitting to enter into the circumstances under which we were deceived and publish them We are bound however to point out that Pigott was not the person with whom we communicated Moreover we must declare that we firmly believed the letters were genuine until disclosures made by Pigott on cross examination It must be evident to all reasonable persons that if a conspiracy existed the *Times* was victimized by and was not a party to it Errors in judgment may have been committed and for them the penalty must be paid It must be clearly understood that what we have done is altogether upon our own motion and our own responsibility and in the public interest alone. This withdrawal of course refers exclusively to the letters obtained from Pigott'

PATRICK EGAN'S OPINION

LINCOLN, Neb Feb 27—Patrick Egan confirms the story of the discovery of Pigott's forgeries as telegraphed from London last night He says he has known him to be a forger and swindler for twenty years Egan believes that high government officials will be implicated in the plot

FROM A GERMAN STANDPOINT.

A Correspondent Blames His Countrymen for Their Samoan Policy.

BERLIN, Feb 27—The *Deutsches Wochenblatt* prints letters on the Samoan question from a correspondent in Sydney, New South Wales.

The writer blames the Germans for supporting Tamasese, who, he says, is neither popular nor by intelligence acceptable to the Samoans as a ruler. Mataafa is far more intelligent and influential than Tamasese, who is regarded as a usurper and a traitor willing to sell his country to strangers Mataafa could formerly have been won to the German interests but being offended by the support given to Tamasese he fell an easy prey to American intrigues The writer asks if this pearl of Samoa is to be shamelessly lost to Germany, and adds The behavior of Samoa could formerly have been accomplished England would have protested only for the benefit of the gallery

RIFFIN WILL NOT BE PROSECUTED

The United States Not Informed the German Government

BERLIN Feb 27 The government has received information from Washington that there is no prospect of the United States complying with the demand for the prosecution of Riffin The emperor has issued a cabinet order expressing gratitude to the officers and men engaged in the Samoan fight

THE PANAMA CANAL CONFLICT

Arguments Heard by the Court of Appeals on the Rights of Jurisdiction.

PARIS Feb 27 The court of appeals has now heard the arguments in the conflict between the civil tribunal of Seine and the tribunal of commerce in regard to their respective right of jurisdiction over the Panama Canal Company The civil court recently decided that the company was only subject to the civil law and thereupon appointed a liquidator

The controversy with unsettled claims against the company then brought suit before the tribunal The company pleaded that the tribunal had no jurisdiction but the tribunal accorded the claims of the contractors After hearing of the arguments indicated the court of appeals deferred judgment for a week

Panama Canal shares were offered at 40 to day with no buyers

CABLE NOTES.

Germany Forbids

BERLIN Feb 27 The German government has forbidden the issue in Germany of any part of the Bulgarian loan on the ground that Bulgaria has no recognized government

A Reported Murder

PARIS Feb 27 It is reported that General Des Bordes the French commander has been murdered in Tonquin

Missionaries Liberated

ZANZIBAR Feb The German missionaries held as captives by the Arabs were liberated to day

ALIEN INVESTMENTS

Report of the Congressional Committee on Mines and Mining

WASHINGTON Feb 27—Senator Stewart chairman of the committee on mines and mining to day made a report on the resolution authorizing the committee to investigate the subject of the investment of foreign capital in the mineral lands of territories

The amount of capital invested in the mines in the territories by aliens as nearly as could be ascertained is $70 507 570 and the dividends paid thereon have been $4,707 800 The committee recommend that the alien land act be so modified as to permit foreign capital to be used in the development of the mines in the territories

BRIBED BY CATTLE MEN.

Indian Agent Owen Thinks Money and Whisky Were Furnished on the Cherokee Strip.

WASHINGTON Feb 27—The report of Indian Agent Owen dated April 18 1888 was sent to the senate to day in response to the resolution asking the secretary of the interior for information concerning the bribery of the Cherokee council by cattlemen

Owen says he does not think there is any doubt about the fact that representatives of the Cherokee Strip Live Stock Association and their friends made a lavish use of money and whisky for the purpose of securing the lease of the lands

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

Affecting the Power of a Railroad to Make Indemnity Selections

WASHINGTON, Feb 27—An important decision has been rendered by the secretary of the interior in the case of the state of Minnesota against the St Paul Minneapolis & Manitoba railroad The secretary holds that a land grant railroad having branches can go upon any of its branches or main line to select lands to indemnify the company for losses of lands upon any part of its system This decision sustains the opinion of ex secretary Chandler, rendered during Grant's administration

Restricting the Use of the Mails.

WASHINGTON Feb 27—Senator Mitchell has reported favorably to the senate the bill from the committee on postoffices and post roads to prohibit the use of mails for the purchasing of the 'green goods' or sawdust game, so extensively engaged in in New York and other large cities

Signed by the President

WASHINGTON Feb 27—The president has signed the bills pensioning Mrs Sheridan and retiring General Rosecrans

PROPELLED BY GAS.

A Novel Carriage Supplied With a New Motor

Glasgow Mail

Messrs Benz & Co, of Nannheim, have lately exhibited in Munich a motor of which gas is the propelling agency The gas is generated by the combustion from benzine or any analogous material The motor which is not visible from without is placed in the rear of the carriage which has three wheels over the main axle and the benzine used in its propulsion is carried in a closed copper receptacle secured under the seat from which it passes down by drops to the generator which holds enough benzine for a journey of about seventy five miles The gas mixture is ignited in a closed cylinder, by means of an electrical spark—a very safe and reliable arrangement

After regulating the admission of the gas the motor can be started by simply turning a hand lever The operator mounts to the seat and by pressing the lever at his left sets the machine in motion which then starts the carriage being connected with the back wheels The speed can be regulated at will by turning the lever backward or forward and by pulling on the brake the motion can be completely stopped The vehicle is steered like a tricycle by a small front wheel Its greatest speed is about 15 miles an hour A quart of benzine is sufficient for one hour's trip the cost of the motor power being thus about 60 cents per hour The carriage intended to seat four persons and a separate chair somewhat resembles in any phaeton set on three wheels

A Story of Balzac

Stories about Balzac are numerous but a few inspired by the great author of "Comedie Humaine" are not known to many people One relates that Baron Nucingen Rothschild once asked Balzac what he ought to give to Asher who advanced him 1000 francs and then wrote a letter recommending him to his nephew in Vienna The letter was unsealed and Balzac read it Finding it cold and unfriendly unworthy of him he wrote back to the nephew to see Baron Rothschild Well said the latter have you seen my nephew Balzac proudly said that he had left the letter I am sorry for you said the Baron have you got it with you? Yes replied Balzac here it is Observe that little hieroglyphic below the signature It would have opened a credit of 25 000 francs for you at the Vienna firm Balzac had nothing to say

EAST PORTLAND LETTER LIST

The following is a list of letters remaining in the postoffice at East Portland O February 1889

WOMEN'S LIST

Brackett Mrs A E	Otis, Alice M
Beach Emma	Tobisfelt, Mrs
Hawthorn, Mrs E	Smith, Minnie
Crosier, Jennie	Smith, Lena
Donaldson, Laura	Shepherd, C J
Hicks, Miss Mary	Tilden, Alice
Lewis Julia	Wilson Mrs Orpha
Lewis, Mrs Maggie	Wilk, Mrs Mary
Moon, May	Woods Mrs Lou
Olsen, Mary	White Mrs J W

MEN'S LIST

Bradford, Allen	Gilreath S A
Bigham, Simon	Holloway Chas Fox
Bergie, N P	Hunter, Thos
Bushong, H F	Hutchinson, Wm
Bucker, John	Hall, Pdw
Burford Monroe	Kahlenbach Gus
Campbell, W	Keller & Butzer
Coburn, Geo H	Krisp, P W
Clearsland, T	Kenny, Day
Cornell, Jacob	Lunisch, Jerry
Dibble, Fred H	Mihelic, John
Dingelo, J A	Meek, Gilbert M
Duke, Fred H	Magnuson, C H
Ewing, Wm	McDermott, O R
Eckart, Julius	Pettinger, W E
Freeman, H	Putman, Mr
Green, Joseph	Reed, F D
Griffeth, Harry	Redmond, J

Radmel Jas B, P
Rogers, Evans
Snelsmeker, E
Sealter, A
Sullivan, Pat
Sorepson, E
Slavin, John
Tuedle, Geo
Vaughn, N
Warren, Geo
Whitmeyer, C
Wheeler, J C
Wright, John H
White, H J

W. M. WELCH, P. M.

EIGHT PEOPLE KILLED.

An East-Bound Train Plunges Through a Bridge.

MANY PASSENGERS WERE INJURED

Large Amount of Opium Seized—A Sheriff Killed and His Deputy Wounded—Natural Gas Explosion

ST LOUIS Oml Feb The St Louis express going East from this city went through a bridge just east of the station A broken tire on one of the engine wheels caused the rails to spread and the first passenger car a Pullman car and the baggage car went through the middle section of the bridge The Pullman car, which contained most of the

THE WORK AT SALEM.

A Number of Glaring Errors Discovered in Several Bills.

THE MILEAGE OF THE MEMBERS,

Facts About the New Counties of Sherman and Harney—The Wagon Road Bills—A List of Special Acts

SALEM, Feb 27.—Secretary of State McBride will soon begin furnishing copies of the new laws to the state printer, and within the ninety days prescribed the book of session laws will be issued. It will be from two to three times as large as any book previously issued for the reason that there are a great many lengthy incorporation and charter bills.

Many of the enrolled bills have mistakes in them. In the Strowbridge steamer bill the title is made to read "an act for the prevention of the entering and harboring," etc., instead of "an act for the entering," etc. It is the opinion that this clerical error will not interfere with the working of the law in the least. In the Miller bill for the protection of game the omission of the word first before "the day of August" makes it uncertain when the close season shall end. Minor errors are to be found in many bills.

The mileage of the members made evident by showing this year is made so by the annexed statement which includes in reckoning for compensation for mileage to and from the capital. Two members—Senator Cogswell of Crook, Klamath and Lake, and his colleague Representative Moss—had to travel through California on their way to Salem and on their return home. They are the only ones who had to leave the state to reach the capital.

SENATE.

Name.	Miles.	Amount.
Baker	84	$ 1 40
Carson	288	4 80
Coulter	80	1 30
Chamberlin	4	60
Chandler	400	1 70
Cogswell	984	16 40
Dawson	70	1 10
Dimick	60	1 00
Eakin	146	2 40
Fullerton	800	13 00
Gray	428	7 20
Hamilton	1000	16 00
Hatch	210	3 50
Hilton	60	1 00
Irvine	60	1 00
Looney	40	1 00
Mackey	210	3 50
Moorn	240	4 00
Norval	700	11 70
Raley	844	14 00
Simon	100	1 60
Sinclair	500	8 30
Stanley	140	2 30
Steel	96	1 60
Tongue	144	2 60
Veatch	340	5 70
Wager	64	1 00
Watt	264	4 40
Watkins	300	5 00
Watts	206	3 40
Total	10 274	$ 171 10

Name.	Miles	Amount.
Apperson	74	$ 1 20
Armstrong	6	10
Bean	480	8 00
Bilknap	140	2 00
Blundell	264	4 40
Bowditch	580	8 80
Condon	20	30
Crook	800	13 00
Crosno	62	1 00
Darby	200	3 40
Earhart	106	1 80
Fell	60	1 00
Fisher (Polk)	10	0 00
Fisher (Multnomah	112	1 80
Gambee	64	1 00
Geer	1040	17 40
Gilbert	108	1 80
Gilliam	1764	29 40
Goodnough	724	12 00
Hahn	58	0 90
Harrington	108	1 80
Haskell	818	13 70
Howard	302	5 00
Hume	106	1 80
Hunter	8 8	1 40
Jennings	240	4 00
Kirk	604	9 60
Labrie	80	1 00
Ladd	240	4 00
Langhan	56	0 80
Lawman	2	4 80
Maxwell	10	1 60
McCoy	4	0 60
Miller (Jackson)	180	3 00
Miller (Linn)	82	1 30
Moore	166	2 80
Morelock	74	1 20
Moss	1064	17 60
Myers	20	30
Nathan	1120	18 80
Northup	100	1 60
Paquet	70	1 10
Parker	428	6 40
Paulsen	114	1 80
Pope	106	1 10
Powell	14	0 20
Price	964	14 00
Rickter	52	80
Roberts	600	10 00
Rose	888	14 80
Short	214	3 40
Stafford	114	1 10
Straw bridge	10	1 00
Thomas	476	8 00
Thompson	240	4 00
Waldo	14	20
Weed	10	1 00
Williamson	960	14 00
Wilson	1084	18 00
Speaker Smith	280	4 00
Total	11 7	$ 194 70
Senate	10 274	1 71 10
Grand total	1 401	$1 710 10

The legislature created two new counties—Sherman and Harney, running the total number in the state up to thirty-one.

Harney county is attached to Grant county for representative purposes, and to Morrow and Grant counties for senatorial representation. The county seat is temporarily located at Harney. The matter of the permanent location of the seat will be settled at the next general election, and until that time it is not to exceed $500 can be expended for public buildings. Harney county is attached to the sixth judicial district, and terms of the circuit court will be held on the third Monday in May and the second Monday in October. Regular terms of the county court will begin on the first Monday in February, April, June, August, October and December. The legal boundaries of the county are as follows: Beginning at a point where the west line of Grant county crosses the township line between townships 18 and 19 in said county of Grant and running thence east on said township line to the west line of the old Malheur Indian reservation in said county of Grant; thence north following the west line of said Indian reservation six miles; thence east to the east line of Grant county.

Sherman county was named after General Sherman. It was first proposed to name it after a man named Fulton a resident of the new county but when his record was looked into it was to find that when he was a member of the house from Wasco county nineteen years ago he spoke bitterly about inviting General Sherman to visit the capitol so he was not honored.

Sherman county was formed out of part of Wasco county and is attached to the eighteenth representative and the seventeenth senatorial and seventh judicial district. Terms of the circuit court will be held on the second Monday in March and the first Monday in October. Terms of the county court will be held on the first Monday in February, April July and October. The terms of county seats is Wasco.

The boundaries of the new county are as follows: Begining at a point in the center of the main channel of the Columbia river opposite the mouth of the John Day river thence up the middle of the main channel of the said John Day river to the south line of township 2 south where it crosses the said John Day river, thence west along the said south line of township 2 south to the middle of the Deschutes river; thence down the center of the main channel of said river to a point in the center of the main channel of the Columbia river opposite to the mouth of the Deschutes river then up the middle of the main channel of the Columbia river to the place of beginning.

The afternoon of the second Tuesday in April will be hereafter known as Arbor Day. On that day the children of the public schools are required to assemble and go through the process of tree planting the object being to "stimulate their minds toward the benefits of the preservation and perpetuation of our forests and the growing of timber."

"An act to increase the efficiency of our common schools" is the title of a law for which Senator Tongue of Washington county is responsible. It is based on the Emmett compulsory education bill which Governor Pennoyer vetoed two years ago but the objectionable features have been omitted. The law is now in effect. It requires all children between the ages of 8 and 14 years, to attend school twelve weeks, in the year and eight weeks must be consecutive unless the health of the child prohibits or the child is taught at home or at a private school. When a public school is not taught within two miles of the nearest traveled road of the residence of any person within the school district children are not liable to the provisions of the act. Parents and guardians who neglect to send their children to school are subject to a fine of from $5 to $25 for the first offense and from $20 to $50 for the second.

A law which is intended for a good purpose the extirpation of the noxious Canada thistle is now in effect. It is made the duty of road supervisors to destroy the weed when they find it growing on public highways and county road. Upon receiving definite knowledge of the existence of the thistle the county court is authorized to appoint a commissioner to attend to the extirpation of it and to pay him $2 a day while he is employed. Violations of the law by the thistle commissioner or road supervisor are punishable by a fine of from $50 to $100. Municipalities are required to enforce the law within their municipalities and if they disobey the state can recover by civil action in which it is $50 to $500. In such suit the district attorney of the state who is entitled to a fee of $25 if the state loses he fee will be only $10.

An act to prevent and incapacitate makes it a misdemeanor to put fruit cans or soldering tools or parts thereof, alloys of lead and requires butchers to keep their shop liquors closed. Fines from $2 to $50 are provided for violations.

Oregon now has the law of prevention of contagious and diseases. It provides the governor secretary of state and president of the state board of agriculture a board of disease. Said commissioners with power to appoint a state veterinary surgeon. The board has power to establish, maintain and enforce quarantine and sanitary regulations for the prevention as a cure of contagious and infectious animal in cases of a malignant character.

Hotel inn and boarding housekeepers will soon be protected by law against swindlers. The Watt act gives them a lien on the baggage of guests who fail or neglect to settle up.

A law which will in a measure, relegate the professional pauper to obscurity and give the sheriff a little more trouble in filling a panel is the one making it unsdemeanor for any person to ask for himself or another to be put on a jury and for a sheriff or constable to obey such a request. The maximum fine is fixed at $300 for each offense.

According to the Barm act married women can petition the circuit court to set aside part of the earnings of their neglectful husbands for the support of themselves and their children and if the showing is adequate the court is empowered to make such an order.

When the Wager act goes into effect county warrants must be canceled seven years after the date of issuance.

Cogswell's bill authorizes county courts to declare unnavigable streams highways for the floating of logs and timber.

The title of the new law framed by Senator Ferguson in act to license stallions kept for public service in the land and to provide for a lien upon mares and colts for stud fees.

A new law confirms the establishment by the national government of an agricultural experiment station in connection with the State Agricultural College at Corvallis.

The law to cure defects in deeds, provides that instruments signed by the grantors in due form shall be sufficient to convey the legal title to the premises therein described although not executed in the office and the proper court seal affixed when the grantor's executors or administrators

Contractors and laborers, who work on or furnish material for county buildings, bridges, roads, etc., have a lien on the same for their claims. Liens must be filed within 60 days after the completion of the work and suits to foreclose must be commenced within 90 days after the filing of the lien. Liens from $2 to $50 are provided for violations.

Contractors for public buildings, bridges, roads, etc., have a lien on the same for their claims. Liens must be filed within 60 days after the completion of the work and suits to foreclose must be commenced within 90 days after the filing of the lien. Liens from $2 to $50 are provided for violations.

An act to provide for the payment of delinquent taxes on real property by the sale of the same, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith, with the exception of chapter 1 page 1 of laws.

H J M No 1—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the mouth of the Columbia river.

H J M No 2—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the Willamette river between Portland and Oregon City.

H J M No 3—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the Willamette river between Oregon City and Corvallis.

H J M No 4—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the Willamette river between Corvallis and Eugene City.

H J M No 5—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the Willamette river between Eugene City and Harrisburg.

H J M No 6—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the Willamette river between Harrisburg and Albany.

H J M No 7—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the Willamette river between Albany and Corvallis.

H J M No 8—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the Willamette river between Portland and Oregon City.

H J M No 9—Memorializing congress to make an appropriation sufficient to complete the improvement of the Willamette river between Portland and Oregon City.

H J M No 10—Requesting the department of agriculture to appoint agents to find out what kinds of grasses are thrived in arid climates.

S J R No 1—Memorializing the state superintendent of public instruction to examine the public school system of other states and the homes relative to the following features.

First—The merits of the township plan of school organization as compared with our present district plan.

Second—The laws adopted for compulsory education in other states and the advantages of the same.

Fourth—The laws of other states establishing the compulsory text book system.

Fifth—The laws of other states establishing the compulsory text book system.

S J R No 2—Asking congress to pass a law for the survey of land in Oregon covered with forests of timber and valuable, at a cost not to exceed $1 per mile for standard parallels, $40 for township and $10 for section lines.

S J R No 3—Praying congress to reimburse the state for land purchased within the limits granted to the Oregon Central Railroad company.

S J R No 4—Instructing the secretary of state to compile and annotate the school laws for the information of teachers.

S J R No 5—Requesting either the senators and members of congress of the state to secure a grant of land in the Malheur reservation for the use of the state.

S J R No 6—Requesting either the senators and members of congress of the state to secure a grant of land in the Malheur reservation for the use of the state.

S J M No 1—Requesting congress to make a grant of land to the Oregon Central Railroad company.

S J M No 2—Praying congress to enact a law providing for the payment to each Union soldier of the difference between the value of the greenback paid him for his services and the value of coin at the time of payment.

S J M No 3—Praying congress to condemn a strip of land on the north side of the Columbia river in Washington territory for the purpose of building portage railways around the Cascades and between The Dalles and Celilo and to sell the state's interest in such railroads to the Columbia River Railroad company.

S J M No 4—Praying congress to make a reclassification of the public lands so as to make a distinct list of pastoral lands.

S J M No 5—Praying congress to pension Hezekiah Wells of Polk county.

S J M No 6—Praying congress to grant a right of way to the Northern Pacific Land grant between Wallula and Portland.

S J M No 7—Praying congress to grant the land necessary for the construction of a state road and military road to the territories of Montana.

H J M No 1—Praying

The Oregonian.

PORTLAND, THURSDAY, FEB. 23.

A SHARP CONTRAST.

The president-elect has made his journey from Indianapolis to Washington in safety. Enthusiastic demonstration attended him all along the route. At Baltimore a tremendous crowd gave vociferous expressions to feelings of joy as the presidential train pulled out of the depot, the enthusiasm being increased in contrast with the feeling of the populace of that city when the train bearing the first republican president crept silently through it under cover of darkness, bearing Abraham Lincoln to his first inauguration. Scarcely, even by bringing the events of the 23d day of February, 1861, in sharp contrast with those of the 26th of February, 1889, is it possible to realize the change that has come over public sentiment in that time. The people of Baltimore, the aristocratic city of a border slave state, had been so vigorously pilled with the dogmas of secession by the conspirators of disunion that their anger against the victorious leader had reached the fierce glow that presages mob violence. The story is a familiar one. Open threat had followed covert menace. And these, added to the fact that the officers of the city government were deep in the counsels of treason, led Mr. Lincoln at last, though most reluctantly, to assent to the advice of his friends, and pass quietly through the city a few hours in advance of the expected coming. He was censured for this by many of his friends who, as Mr. Greeley recites, "would have much preferred to force an escort of one hundred thousand armed men to see him safely through Baltimore than to have him pass through it clandestinely like a hunted fugitive."

That this act of prudence was well-advised, however, was clearly demonstrated to the most sensitive of Mr. Lincoln's friends when the ferocious spirit of secessionism, then but faintly imagined, became thoroughly understood.

In comparing the recital of this hurried change of plan and silent passage through Baltimore by a president-elect, on the way from his quiet home in the capital of a Western state in 1861, to the greeting accorded a president-elect in the broad noon of a day twenty-eight years later, so he also the choice of the republican party, passing from his home in a Western capital city to be inaugurated president of the United States halted a few minutes at the depot in the city, one is inclined to regard the former scene as a dark chapter in a troubled romance so dim, distant and unreal does it appear. The contrast is such as to reconcile the patriotic heart of the nation, as much as it is possible to effect reconciliation for the loss and horror of that long period of struggle and anguish, to the sharp conflict that settled forever the question of human slavery and rendered possible an era of good will that for many dark and stormy years was the forlorn hope of the republic.

CRIMINAL SELF-SACRIFICE.

Miss Flavin, a young English woman recently passed through New York on her way to the Sandwich Islands, her mission being to nurse the loathsome lepers confined in the Molokai settlement established in 1865 to prevent the spread of the disease. She declares that she is urged to this work by a "spiritual ambition, that she expects to be contaminated when her time comes and go the way of all lepers and that she seeks no recompense save the spiritual comfort of doing for these miserable creatures what their loathsome condition prevents others from doing. There are several hundred lepers in the settlement at present, with no prospect of diminution of the number. The place is described as "a home of hideous disease and slow coming death, with which science has in despair ceased to grapple; a community of people socially dead, whose only business is to perish."

The young woman, full of health and vigor who voluntarily puts herself in the way of an infection so revolting may be possessed of a sublime courage, a spirit of noble self-sacrifice, but to the ordinary mortal, governed by natural common sense, and imbued with the idea that his own body is worth preserving from loathsome disease, the feeling that inspires her seems nearer akin to folly, than to any other sentiment.

An exhibition of self-abnegation so extreme as this is an argument, advanced unconsciously by the one who makes it, in favor of the only truly humane and merciful plan of dealing with persons thus hopelessly afflicted with a loathsome disease. Death is not to be dreaded for them, while certainly life, under the terrible conditions imposed by leprosy is intolerable. The only merciful way out of the difficulty will sooner or later be dictated by science and receive the acquiescence of true humanity. To allow a brute to live when life is a torture which only death can end is regarded as the extreme of cruelty, yet every effort is made to prolong the life of a human animal, that looks longingly, and intelligently toward death as the only possible escape from bodily conditions that are at once a source of exquisite misery to himself and of deadly menace to those who must care for him. The strictest orthodox belief can scarcely excuse this mistaken mercy in a plea for the human soul, since the literal hell that it has prepared for the unsaved would abate somewhat the agonies that prey upon the leper while in the mortal body.

THE OUTLOOK FOR 1889.

The winter of 1888-89 has proven in some respects remarkable and has no parallel within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. There was very little rain in January, and up to this last day of February there has been a month and a half of positively clear weather. In the two first months of 1889 people who wished could work out doors and scarcely lose an hour because of unpleasant weather. Farmers in the country complain that they cannot plow, as the ground is too dry. Wells are very low in the hills and the springs and streams are lower than was ever known for this season.

It has been a remarkably favorable time for tree planting, and no fruit buds have as yet swollen, to render any danger possible, except in the case of peaches, of which the early varieties show the pink of bursting buds, and it is possible an untimely frost may do them harm. Other fruits are as yet backward, and no ordinary frost can injure them. About six years ago March was very forward, and by the 1st of April many varieties of fruits were out of bloom and the young fruit had formed. That year March and April exchanged their characteristics, for March had all the attributes of spring—sunshine and showers—while April was transformed into March and was a month of prolonged rains that came in cold, bitter storms. The effect was disastrous on many orchards and there was an almost entire failure of fruit of some kinds throughout Oregon.

It is safest and altogether best for the farmers when seasons are natural through the year, but that does not always occur. If he knew that normal conditions could be depended on his life would be deprived of care and anxiety; but this cannot be known, so it becomes necessary to sometimes attempt to create conditions to assist nature in the case of unusual seasons. To this end he underdrains land that surplus water can pass off and leave the roots of trees the normal warmth of the soil instead of the cold chill of floods of water. The farmer and fruit-grower can do much to save his crops by creating conditions that will aid the efforts of nature.

The pastures are backward and grass is yet of little value. The warm rain to-day will cause it to grow, and will come in due time, but would have come sooner to other habitats had it come sooner. Winter wheat generally looks well, and promises a good yield. It is a well-known fact that good wheat crops follow a heavy snowfall and hard freeze. There has not been snow and frost, but the peculiarly mild winter carries a prospect for a heavy stand and a good growth. There has as yet been no freezing out of wheat in Western Oregon, and if any happens it usually occurs before March. The storms of March are sometimes unpleasant, but not often frosty enough to "spout" wheat.

All things considered our winter has been one of the pleasantest for the single item of weather ever known. December, January and February are gone, and winter, so far as the three specific winter months are concerned, is over; but March is sometimes a month that is trying to stock interests, and if there is a bitter March we may hear of severe losses on the ranges. The general report from the great range country was that the grass was completely eaten out during the summer and fall and stock entered the winter in poor condition. There has been no chance for improvement on their part and some districts report losses already. If the month of March does not strike the ranges with bitter storms stock may come out in fair condition. The outlook for farmers may be considered fairly good for the season of 1889. The dangers of winter are practically over and the spring time finds winter crops in good condition. If fall sown wheat realizes the prospect of very rank spring growth the farmer who has sheep enough to pasture it down will be fortunate. What the coming range of prices will be can not be foretold, but the world constantly has a heavier demand for breadstuffs, and the decided shortage of 1888 may not be fully overcome. Beef cattle will probably bring a better price, and the flow of immigration to our region must create an increasing home demand for products of the soil. Another year as good as 1888 will insure for Oregon a season of the most reliable prosperity.

The husband of the notorious Mrs. Reardon has applied for a divorce from his bibulous spouse on the just ground of gross and habitual drunkenness. They were married in 1871 and the only redeeming feature of the marriage is that no offspring resulted. The wretched woman would be an object of pity were she not above all things an object of disgust. The problem of what to do with her is a perplexing one. Every moral force in this community including the Salvation army, if it is proper to place this organization in this category has in turn tried to reclaim the miserable creature, and each has abandoned the task as hopeless. The divorce asked will of course be granted. There is no reason why it should not. "No children and no property" makes the case an easy one. The last condition is the usual one in such cases, but unfortunately for society, more unfortunate for the miserable victims of parental irresponsibility and vice the first, is most uncommon.

The *Times-Mountaineer* suggests that if the people of The Dalles wish to profit by the tide of prosperity that is sweeping over the Northwest, they must resurrect their Board of Trade. The suggestion is a good one. There is neither profit nor sound policy in waiting supinely for coming prosperity. There is something besides the simple possession of superior advantages necessary to attract men and money to any locality. Active and energetic business men in various towns and cities throughout the Northwest have discovered that this something is to let the wide world know, from a reliable source, all about their business resources, their commercial and manufacturing facilities, what the people have done, what they are doing and what they would like to do and see others do in turning opportunity into money. To neglect this is to drag along, comfortably it may be, and in true pioneer style, while places engineered by live business men forge grandly ahead.

After all the fuss made about wagon road bills in and out of the legislature, only $91,000 were appropriated to aid this special feature of internal improvement. This, the *Statesman* says, is $20,000 less than was at first reported. The people should be duly thankful for this mite saved, though it is saddening to think that one-half that amount would have made sundry land holders in a howling wilderness happy by the construction of a good highway between Medford and Jacksonville.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's parents on Sunday, February 24, 1889, Louis K. Blakeney of San Francisco to Nellie, second daughter of P. Burnell.

San Francisco papers please copy.

On the 27th of February, 1889, at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. T. L. Eliot, Miss Alice Walling and C. S. Pomeroy, all of this city.

DIED.

In this city, February 23, at 11 P. M., Rev. George M. Atkinson, aged 5 months, 15 days.

Funeral will take place from the First Congregational church to-day at 11 A. M. Services at the grave private.

In this city, Feb. 27, J. C. Cartwright, aged 50 years.

Funeral today at 2 o'clock from the residence, West Main, near Chamoun streets. Friends of the family invited to attend.

NEW TO-DAY.

PACIFIC MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. OF CALIFORNIA.

EDWARD C. FROST, Esq., General Agent Pacific Mutual Life—Dear Sir: Many thanks to you and the officers connected with your department for the prompt payment of the $1,000 policy held by my husband, the late D. W. Prentice. The dividend additions increased the amount nearly one-fifth more than the face of the policy, and were very welcome. I heartily commend the Pacific Mutual to all my friends.

MRS. LIZZIE D. PRENTICE.

THE ANNUAL STATEMENT

Of the Pacific Mutual shows a gain over 1887:
In Income, equal to 26.77 per cent.
In Assets, equal to 15.34 per cent.
In Surplus, equal to 31.50 per cent.

Offices.....46 Washington St.

JARVIS-CONKIN Mortgage Trust Company.

Paid-Up Capital.....$1,500,000.00.

KANSAS CITY and NEW YORK.

Loans money on improved Farms in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, and on improved City Property.

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34½ Morrison Street, - - Portland, Or.

FOR SALE.

$2850—Cottage and lot on Sixth street.
$750—Lot 50x90, and house on Mill st., near Seventh.
2900—Fine quarter block on Hoyt st.
3250—Lot, 50x100, with house, 22 C st., near Ninth.
2300—100x100 feet on corner Sixth and Grant sts.
6000—100x100 feet on Park and Salmon sts.
100x100 feet on First st., in business location, at a bargain.
4250—80x100 feet on E st., well located.

PARRISH, WATKINS & CORNELL,
46 Washington st.

ALBINA PROPERTY.

$ 875—Lot 150 feet from motor line.
850—Lot half block from motor line.
1000—Lot 50x100, on Mark Road, Williams Av.
200—And $225—Two lots in Cloverdale, 150 feet from motor, all cleared.
660 to 1,400—Some very fine lots within one block of Vancouver av., centrally located.
200 and $250—On easy payments, some nice lots in Albina Homestead.

For particulars see VELIN & GOULD, Stark st., Albina.

Take steamer Cyclone, foot of Washington st., Portland. 28tf

120 acres, East Mount Tabor	$ 8000
6 acres, Wilkes avenue	2500
11½ acres, Mount Scott	2500
Cottage and lot, Fourth st., Albina	1050
Fifteenth and H st., Corner Lot	1300
Two Fine Lots on N st.	3100
Two Fine Lots on Tenth and G sts	3000
Business property	$10,000 and 32,000
Cheap Lots near Albina, on Vancouver Motor Line, on installments of $10 per month, without interest.	

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LOTS ON EASY INSTALLMENTS WITHOUT INTEREST IN GLENCOE PARK.

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TEN ACRES NEAR ALBINA FOR SPECULATION.

NEAR PROPOSED CAR LINE TO ST. JOHN'S.

No other property can be had in the same neighborhood for the price we offer this. CAMPBELL & BRUSH, No 8 Stark st., four doors from Oregonian office. 23tf

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Steamer Telephone
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Leave Portland daily (except Tuesday) at 7 A. M.
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Valuable water front in South Portland.

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BARGAIN.

19 acres of fine, level, high land, all first-class soil, and only 1½ miles northeast of East Portland, for $300 per acre.

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TWO LOTS ON N STREET EAST PORTLAND AT A BARGAIN FOR A SHORT TIME.

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2 LOTS (EXTRA SIZE) IN CLOVERDALE tract; size 50x142½ feet each; perfectly cleared into a fine lawn; 150 feet from Portland & Vancouver railroad track.

PRICE $500

For all. Lots 50x100 selling there now for not less than $300.

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About 10 acres situate within one-half mile of East Portland city limits; finest of soil, no gravel; partly clear, rolling hill; sloping 35 per cent; choicest fruit and adjoining; for 10 days at $600 per acre; come and see it.

CRETZ & BROWN,
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EAST SIDE ACRES.

$7500 10 acres of very choice land on Section Line road, about 2½ miles east of river; half in meadow and orchard; half overlooking the city and the Willamette; road on two sides; finely located for selling in acre tracts or in bulk for fewer days only at above price.

CLAYTON & OLIVER,
163 Second st.

WHERE UNDER THE SUN IS GLENCOE PARK? 30tf

SOLD ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN.

Small monthly or weekly payments; Furniture, Clocks, Watches, Carpets and all kinds of household goods; open evenings. The New York Installment Co., 103 and 105 Morrison street.

FOR SALE.

A comfortable little home. Lot 50x100 feet, on southeast corner of block; with good 6-room house, in Tibbetts addition, at moderate price and on easy terms.

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NEW YORK PIANO CO.,

108 Third st., Abington building, sell pianos at a wholesale price on installments or for cash; agents for the following pianos: Hazelton, Boyd & Co., Krakauer & Bach, Ernst Gabler & Bro., Carl Rudolph and C. D. Pease & Co.'s pianos.
2614* W. T. SHANAHAN, Manager.

87th FRIDAY SURPRISE SALE

To-morrow at Eder & Frank's in boys' clothing department. The following parcels: Hats, Boys' 50c & 75c wool suits, Sack, 4 to 12, for $2.50 per suit; all in choice new styles; half jobbers' value; to-morrow only at this price; be on hand in time. 1

NEW TO-DAY.

ONE-EIGHTH MILE RIVER FRONTAGE WITH good boat landing, between Portland and Oregon City; suits Portland coal, lumber or oil dock; containing 11½ acres of the best land in the State; all cleared and fenced; 50 fruit trees planted; 45 acres all fenced; 20 in thoroughly tame grass; balance stumped and cleared up; no fine building site on the river. Will sell very cheap into four tracts with river frontage to each. Apply to C. O. T. WILHELMS, Holder of Note, Oregon City, Or. 28tf

YOU CAN BUY A LOT IN WEST PORTLAND from A. A. Wood, Room No. 1, Odd Fellows' Building, for $100, and pay for it in small installments; so that you will hardly feel it, and in a few years you will have a nice home worth thousands. Young man, invest in real estate; it will make you rich, especially when it is so easily obtained. 27tf

I WANT WORK—AM A STENOGRAPHER, typewriter and typewriter operator. I operate both the Remington and the Caligraph; understand bookkeeping also. Address Young Woman, care Oregonian.

$5000—40 ACRES, 4½ MILES OUT OF COURT house, Gresham; all fenced; nearly 4 acres in good bearing orchard; good water; excellent view; partly cleared. CHAS. E. WOOD, Room 1 Odd Fellows' Building.

WANTED—A FIRST-CLASS FEMALE COOK, recently from New York, accustomed to all kinds of cooking, will be open for an engagement March 1. Address MRS. ARANDALE, 329 Fifth st., city. 28tf

DUDLEY & GLAHN REAL ESTATE agents, Room 3, first floor, Abington building. Persons having property for sale will do well to place it in their hands.

FOR SALE—THE FURNITURE OF A 30-room best furnished rooming house in the city; every room rented and paying a big per cent. THOMPSON & RIGGEN Real Estate, 48 Stark st.

TO BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS. WANTED, on 10 years' time, $1,000 to complete cottage, with basement finished according to my plans; will lease for one or two years. Address H. F., care Oregonian.

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LOST—A FINE WHITE SCOTCH TERRIER with new picket collar, tail and ears partly off. A suitable reward will be paid for any one returning him to 52 Fifth street. 1

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PORTLAND AND COAST STEAMSHIP COMpany.—Steamer Alliance will sail for Gray's Harbor Saturday, 9 o'clock P. M. 28tf

WANTED—SOLICITOR FOR CITY ONLY; easy work, good pay. Address, with references, N. T. D., care Oregonian. 28tf

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STEAKS AND CHOPS AT DUNNES CHOP house at No. 27 Pine st., the best restaurant in Portland. 4tf jan*

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CHICKERING SQUARE PIANO FOR RENT. Inquire at Wells, Fargo & Co.'s. 27tf

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WANTED—A SCANDINAVIAN GIRL; SITUation in private family as cook. Inquire 251 Lawrence hotel, cor. Second and Ash. 28tf

THE MOST ELEGANT MEDICINE IN THE world is Georgia Electric Relief, for any pains or lung trouble. Try it. 20tf1m*

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WANTED—A YOUNG GIRL TO ASSIST IN light housework. Inquire at 188 Pacific, between Yamhill and Taylor. 28tf2

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SIX FINE ROOMS TO LET, SUITABLE FOR offices, over Wm. Pfunder's drug store, cor. First and Ash sts. 26tf3

WANTED—THREE YORK WORK OXEN AT Bridge, Lake River Mill Co., room 7, First National Bank Building. 28tf

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R. O. COLLIS, 171 FRONT STREET, HAS THE best and cheapest stock of saddles and harness on the coast. 30d-tuth*

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YOUNG MAN WANTS A POSITION AS BARkeeper; steady habits. W. F. B., care Oregonian.

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COUNTRY STORE FOR SALE—11 MILES from Portland; doing a good cash business; telegraph, postoffice and railroad station in same building. Apply to A. J. Hamilton, Beaverton, Or. 11dtf

WANTED A LIVE MAN WITH $500 CASH capital, to introduce an article that will pay a net profit in every well ordered family in Portland. There is big money and no risk. Address box 398. 27tf

TO SPECULATORS—$700 WILL BUY A house and lot in Smith's addition to East Portland; cash or installments. Also a new organ for sale, by R. C. WARNER, at Huey's furniture store, 270 First st., Portland. 27tf

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CÆSAR & CO., SHIPPING AND COMMISSION Merchants, 124 North Front street, Portland, Or.

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PORTLAND AND VICINITY.

A WONDERFUL MACHINE.—The enterprising firm of Zan Bros. who are always in the lead, have recently introduced a machine upon the most improved sanitary principles in their extensive broom factory, situated in the Multnomah Hotel block, during the latter part of last week. They have one of the lately invented machines for sewing brooms, each of which does the work of five men and does it much better than a man can. This broom sewing machine is a perfect piece of ingenuity, and consists of 400 separate pieces of iron, which work in perfect harmony with each other and execute their work in perfection. The inventor spent thirteen years in perfecting the invention. It is totally different from any other sewing machine invented, there being no stitches, which work independently of each other, pulling their thread, which is cut to the right length, clear through the broom back-ward and forward each time. The introduction of these machines has afforded Zan Bros. great satisfaction, as it has enabled them to dispense with the services of nine Chinamen out of their factory and supply their places with two Americans. By the introduction of new machinery into their various works during the past year they have been enabled to give positions to nearly twenty white men which were before filled by Chinamen.

THAT COUNTERFEIT $100 BILL.—Investigation of the matter of the counterfeit $100 greenback mentioned yesterday as having been returned to Postmaster Roby by a man who took a letter from the postoffice belonging to another man of the same name shows that the $500 check contained in the letter was cashed at the Portland National bank, and not at the First National bank, as the paper imagined. The letter came from Des Moines and was received by a Scandinavian named Peterson. The letter was written in German and the latter could not even read it. He knew enough to cash the check and had almost the entire amount of the money when the postal inspector called on him and advised him to refund to the postoffice. He swears that the bad bill is one which he received for the check; but of course there is a probability that he is mistaken. Inspector Bennett, of California, and United States District Attorney McArthur investigated the matter and arrived at the conclusion that there was no criminality in the matter and that they could fix nothing on it. Just how the man who has the bad bill is going to be made whole is a conundrum.

OUR STATE INTERESTS.—L. B. Frazier, a citizen of Polk county, who is an extensive dealer in sheep, was seen yesterday at the St. Charles hotel. On being asked what was the immediate prospect for his business in the Willamette valley, he said: "It is not as good as in his town, of course, during the last two months, but is very favorable for this time of year. This morning I brought 240 sheep from up the valley, with an average weight of 95 pounds each. We have always supposed that Eastern Oregon sheep were generally put in better condition for the market than those raised along the Willamette, but I am getting more and more out of this idea as I travel about the country. For instance, down at the union yards, where I took my sheep, were some from that section of the country and they averaged ten pounds less each and were by no means as much in good a condition. The market here is full, but there is a great demand on the Sound and at Victoria, and even further up the coast, which is rapidly increasing, and is as yet solely supplied from the Snake and Willamette river countries and also Eastern Oregon."

BUTTER GOES DOWN.—Consumers of butter who have been paying 30 cents a roll for the gilt-edge Oregon article will be pleased to learn that there is a prospect for an immediate reduction in the price. Fresh California butter is selling here for 25 cents per roll and it is probable that there will be a reduction in this also, as a dispatch received from that market last night says: "The butter market this year is phenomenal. It is not yet March 1 and the very choicest butter is down to 10 and 20 cents per pound, wholesale, and weak at that. Stocks are large and increasing, and the whole market is demoralized. To increase the weakness, the market is heavily supplied with Eastern butter, which is quoted at 10@13 cents." It is to be hoped that Eastern butter at 10 to 13 cents will not be "heavily supplied" here, for butter made at the East at this season must savor strongly of the last barrel, and if it was made when the grass was green it must be rather old by this time. No one will growl at paying ordinary rates 25 or 30 cents per pound for good, fresh butter, but 30 and 35 cents per roll is a little too high.

DISGRACEFUL VANDALISM.—Some contemptible vandals have been amusing themselves with shooting holes in the iron water tanks put up along the White House road by the Multnomah Driving Association to supply the sprinkling vehicles, and by breaking down the pipes supplying the tanks. The driving association has expended a large amount of money in endeavoring to make this road a pleasant one, and as the public has been benefited by this it is not possible that any one can have any ill feeling in this matter. The injury therefore has not been done out of malice but by some thoughtless, reckless fellows who found in the tanks a shining mark and one adapted to their skill as marksmen, and so fired away at them for the fun of the thing. The association have a clue to the identity of some of these funny fellows and if it is traced up they will probably find the shooting destruction of property is no joke in this state.

A RUMOR POSITIVELY DENIED.—A rumor was in circulation yesterday to the effect that the operation of the lines of the Oregon Railway Company, east and west side, would be brought to a close in a few days. The reason given for this was that no decision was likely to be reached in the case of the Oregonian railway against the O. R. & N. Co.'s case until Justice Matthews of the United States supreme court is sick and not able to deliver the decision he has prepared, and the case would therefore have to be reargued. Inquiries led to the information that there was no foundation for these rumors. Even if Justice Matthews cannot deliver his decision there is no necessity for the case being reargued, and if any rehearing is necessary it will come off at once and there is no probability of the decision being long delayed. As to the suspension of business on the lines of the Oregonian railway, those who said so know perfectly well that nothing of the kind has been contemplated.

WAS SENT TO HIS HOME.—Edwin Minter, one of the guests of the Boys and Girls' Aid society, was yesterday evening sent to his home in Helena, Mont., by Mr. F. Towers. Edwin is a boy about 12 years of age, who was seized with an impulse to see more of the world, some five months ago. When he came to this city the Boys and Girls' Aid society took charge of him, and procured him a good home in the country, where he has been diligently at work until the present time. He now wants to return to his home and set the parbol a man. His wish was gratified, for Mr. Towers got him a ticket and sent him off to his home last night. Being asked what he desired to do when he got home, Edwin replied that he would either go to school or take hold of some work. He has only attended school three years and is already in the fifth reader, and is remarkably intelligent for a boy of his age.

LIVELY ABOUT CHENEY.—Hon. D. F. Percival, of Cheney, one of the leading bankers and most prominent men of Eastern Washington, is at the Esmond. Mr. Percival reports great activity in railroad building in his section of the territory and is naturally very enthusiastic over the outlook in Cheney. The road from that town to the Big Bend country is now completed and is being operated as far east as Davenport, the present Western terminus. In connection with this line Cheney is promised connection at an early date with the main line of the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern railroad on the west and also with the Spokane & Palouse on the east. Mr. Percival expresses himself greatly surprised at the remarkably steady growth of Portland, and predicts a bright future for the metropolis of the Northwest. He returns home to-day by way of Tacoma and Seattle.

DRIVING THE DUCKS AWAY.—An old time resident of Sauvie's island says the ducks and swans which frequent the lakes on that island are being harassed and driven away by night shooting. Every person on the island who has shooting to rent and every sportsman is interested in this matter; if it is not put a stop to, there will be no shooting there in a few years. No sportsman and no gentleman will shoot at night, as it is sure to scare the fowls away from any lake. This night shooting is done by poachers, sometimes by persons who have rented their lakes to sportsmen, who take every precaution to preserve the game by shooting at intervals and allowing the ducks to have some peace and comfort between spells. The only way in which to put a stop to this night shooting is to make a law forbidding it and then enforce it.

VETERAN FIREMAN.—A letter in reference to special rates East was received yesterday by M. H. Lucas, president of the Veteran Fireman's Association. It was written by Mr. Charles S. Fee, the general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific railroad, and stated that he had a special rate application for them before the proper officials and thought there would be no trouble in having it granted. The organization here is composed of those who have served as firemen for seven years or longer. They already have forty-three names on the list, of members who will take advantage of the cheap rates to attend the anniversary of Washington's inauguration which will take place in New York city April 30th.

A MILD WINTER.—The winter seems to have been uniformly mild all over the Northwest. Mr. A. F. Parker informs us that the mail over the Salmon river mountains between Mount Idaho and Worden has been carried on horseback all winter, a circumstance which has only occurred once before—in the winter of '68—since the first settlement of the country. The greatest depth of snow in the mining camps of greatest altitude in Idaho will not exceed two feet, and the placer miners are almost willing to buy snow where with to humidify the water for their season's operations. In the pincer mines water is king.

ALLEGED CATTLE THIEF.—Yesterday morning Acting Deputy Sheriff Al. Fletcher arrived from Pendleton, having in charge Wm. Cooper, 28 years of age, wanted in Yamhill county for driving off another man's stock. Cooper, like all others who get into a similar scrape, alleges that his arrest is a mistake.

TIMBER LEAFLETS.—The warm shower yesterday morning caused the willows about town to put forth tender leaflets and the elm trees to expand their green to colors. A few more warm, soft days will make a great change in things.

CHINOOK BACK DUCKS can be had at Mainzer & Co.'s, corner of Fourth and Morrison, the only place in the city. They also have some very fine [illegible]

A FOOL ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE.

Another "Lover," Snubbed by His Mistress, Don't Care to Live.

About 12 o'clock last night Dick Timmins, a young man employed as a waiter in the Telephone restaurant, attempted suicide in his room over the restaurant.

He took a large spoonful of morphine, but as he is in the habit of using the drug it did not have much effect. He then tried to give himself a hypodermic injection of the same, but his nerves were not steady enough to allow him to accomplish it. He then stabbed himself five times in the center of the breast with a small penknife, inflicting five cuts in a circle about the size of a dollar.

When a reporter reached the place a doctor was sponging away the blood which oozed slowly from the punctures, while Timmins was explaining how he failed to finish himself.

The doctor had administered an antidote, and the fellow was apparently about as sensible as usual. He did not appear to be aware that there were holes in his breast, and said: "I tried hard enough, God knows, but could not get the knife through."

He was smiling as he talked and evidently thought he had done something smart.

When asked if he was not glad that he had failed he said: "No; I wish I had succeeded."

Then he laughed in a semi-idiotic way which made one sorry that he had not.

The doctor said that the knife had pierced the sternum in one place and just touched the lungs, which explains how he failed to finish Timmins.

When asked why he attempted his life he declined to give any reason and asked the reporter to please say nothing about the affair as liberty was as much as he knew him.

Timmins came here from Tacoma about a week ago and went to work in the Telephone restaurant. He was, while at Tacoma, the lover of Bertie Roberts, the young woman who was shot by Jules Delmuey in a lodging house about two blocks distant several weeks ago, and where she is still, slowly recovering from the effects of the shot.

Timmins has renewed his acquaintance with the young woman since his arrival here, and last evening called upon her carrying the paper giving an account of the departure of Delmuey to serve a seven years term in the penitentiary.

His sad face appears to have fanned into flame the smouldering embers of her love for Delmuey, and the quarrel of Timmins, who seemed pleased with Delmuey's misfortune, which was but natural, as he had won the girl's affections from Timmins and carried her away from him at Tacoma.

Timmins went broken hearted from and scrawled the following note to the young woman:

PORTLAND, Feb. 27, 1889.

Bertie Robinson—Dear Friend: I suppose this is the last time on earth I shall ever write to you, for you have deceived me and I think care to live any longer in this world. You must give me a good look at you. Good-by. DICK TIMMINS.

Then he swallowed a whole stock of morphine and made the five punctures in his manly breast, and after all came to nothing.

Prostitutes and lovers have been cidding the city of late and at a rapid rate of late, and there has been but little loss to the community. The failure of Timmins to expedite himself may have a tendency to check this, which probably no one will regret less than himself.

Through Pullman sleepers and dining cars; also second-class sleepers through to the East via Northern Pacific Railroad. Office, No. 121 First St., corner Washington.

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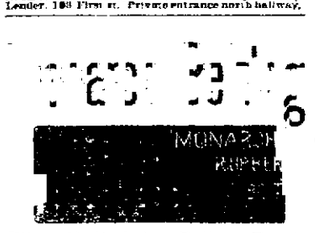

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CHRONICLED AND RECORDED.

Bonneville—Cloudy; calm; 44 deg.
Hood River—Cloudy; calm; 46 deg.
The Dalles—Cloudy; calm; 44 deg.
Grant's Pass—Cloudy; calm; 44 deg.
Arlington—Cloudy; calm; 44 deg.
Umatilla—Cloudy; calm; 46 deg.
Walla Walla—Cloudy; calm; 40 deg.
Walla Walla—Clear; calm; 40 deg.
Dayton—Clear; calm; 32 deg.
Pomeroy—Clear; calm.
Riparia—Clear; calm; 39 deg; one inch below water mark.
Colfax—Clear; calm; 48 deg.
Pendleton—Clear; calm; 32 deg.
Kamiah—Cloudy; south; 36 deg.
La Grande—Cloudy; strong southwest; 40 deg.
Baker City—Clear; calm; 41 deg.
Huntington—Clear; calm; 36 deg.

U. S. SIGNAL SERVICE WEATHER REPORT.

PORTLAND, Feb. 27, 1889.

Place of Observation.	Highest Bar.	Change last 24 hours	Max. Temp.	Wind Direction	Rain fall inch	State of Weather.
Portland	30.32	23	54	S	.66	Cloudy
Olympia	30.26	24	54	SW	.28	P'tly Cdy
Roseburg	30.34	18	58	N	.08	Cloudless
Red Bluff	30.24	.06	66	N	.00	Cloudless
Sacramento	30.16	—.10	64	NW	.00	P'tly Cdy
Spokane	30.22	.....	46	SW	.01	Rain
Walla Walla	30.28	.....	52	S	.08	Rain
Canby	30.30	.22	52	S	.44	Cloudless

Local Report.

Pacific Coast Time.	Bar.	Tem.	Rlte. Hum.	Direc of Wind	Vlcy of Wind	Rain.	Wthr.
5 A. M.	30.10	46	95	S	Lt.	.00	Cloudy
5 P. M.	30.32	54	82	S	08	.26	Rain'g

Maximum temperature, 55.0; minimum temperature, 44. River at 8 A. M., 3.0 feet. Rise of 2.0 since yesterday morning.

	Normal.	Mean.	Departure from Normal.	Excess or deficiency since Jan. 1.	Accumulated excess since Jan. 1, 1889.
Temperature	45	50	5	66	44
Precipitation	.26	.26	.00	5.98	—8.27

TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—Indications for twenty-four hours on Oregon and Washington territory: Fair weather, preceded by light rains in Eastern Washington territory and Northeastern Oregon; westerly winds; cooler.

PASSENGER LIST.

STEAMER.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—Following is the passenger list of the steamer Oregon, sailing to-day for Portland: Miss B. Bliss, Mrs. A. N. Weston, C. H. Shirley, F. W. Jennings and wife, Mrs. E. F. Kirk, A. F. Stream, M. Argulla, G. W. Cutter, C. S. Moore, G. B. Caleb, Miss L. A. Deadrick, Miss F. Mueller, G. A. Metcalf, Mrs. R. E. Huggitt, N. A. Gillam, Mrs. Ellis, M. H. Watkins, Miss A. Peterson, O. C. Pratt, H. Daniel, H. Marks, J. Crilton, J. D. Dement, Miss K. Blair, Miss K. Thrall, S. Simon, Mrs. W. J. Coyle, E. Levinson, G. W. Kincaid, C. Mayer, jr., M. R. Hooker, G. Martin, C. W. Feldman, G. Fredericks, J. P. Tighe; Miss A. Zahn, Mrs. B. J. Wortheimer, C. M. Ellis, Miss S. Parker, J. E. Hale and wife, L. Sauss and wife, C. W. Wariand and wife, H. Horsley, M. Martin and wife, F. Barth, J. P. Brown and Mrs. L. S. Maurice.

OVERLAND.

Oregon & California—Passed Medford: T. Nicoll, wife and two children, William Nicoll, Mrs. C. H. Bakeman, J. M. Crawford and wife, Dan Morris, N. P. Vallijo, Robert Wakefield and wife, George Terry and wife, F. R. Lowe, Mrs. George S. Sharp, W. O. Turner, W. C. Bashford and wife, Mrs. F. A. Bashford, F. D. Barlow, J. M. Shawham, J. L. Atkinson and wife, E. V. Skillman, Miss Cadwell, Miss Miller, Mrs. B. F. Burtch, A. Burtch, W. W. White, J. E. Brown, L. B. Decarop, E. C. Simpson, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. F. L. Agnue, A. Gibbs, J. C. Mann, E. H. Morrith, E. Lycon, J. B. Crossfield, A. Norman, Mrs. M. Fetherly, W. H. Hughes, W. A. Hitchcock and wife and forty-four immigrants.

Oregon Short Line—Passed Huntington February 27: J. M. Palmer, J. D. Churchill, W. Jones, W. S. Stevens, Miss Stevens, Mrs. Black, Alice Harris, J. Richardson, H. A. Pierson and wife, C. D. Jones, W. H. Jones, J. Jennings, A. B. Steinbach and wife, F. B. Reich, C. W. Archer and fifty second class.

Northern Pacific—Passed Ellston Febrt. ary 26: F. C. Hubbard, John F. Miller and wife, William G. Johnson, C. T. Davis, C. A. Congdon, E. A. Stroul, F. Burbridge, H. D. Thomas, jr., Captain Hambyton and 165 immigrants.

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We thank you, one and all, and will simply say, in conclusion, that on

Monday, : : Feb. 25th,
Tuesday, : : Feb. 26th,
Wednesday, Feb. 27th,
Thursday, : : Feb. 28th,

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6. Never warps or gets out of place.
7. Saves material.
8. It makes a finish for both sides of shade.
9. Is superior to any other finish.
10. Will never pull or tear off.
11. With it no finger marks get on shade.
12. It has attached a beautiful and strong pull.
13. No shade complete without it.
14. Will last a life-time.
15. "A thing of beauty is a joy forever."

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In the early days of Oregon, when the Hudson Bay company controlled the commercial business of the northwest coast, with headquarters at Vancouver, and a branch store at Oregon City, Thomas McKay, son of a Hudson Bay man by a Red River Indian woman who subsequently became the wife of the philanthropist Dr. McLoughlin went over to the Tillamook country on a trapping expedition, as a servant of the above named company. In his wanderings up and down the Coast range he found an aged Indian woman of the Tillamook tribe, who told him that she witnessed the coming ashore of the Spaniards, whom tradition credits with burrying a chest of treasure at the mouth of the Nehalem river. The woman informed McKay minutely as to the place the treasure was buried and at his importunity went with him and pointed out the place she had described. It was a mule of the H B Co that anything captured by a servant of the company became at once the property of the company and the officials of that all powerful corporation, learning that McKay had been prospecting for the said treasure arrested him and subjected him to a rigid examination to make him disclose what he knew about it. To all their questions and threats McKay returned but one answer—I did not find any treasure."

McKay afterwards settled on French Prairie, and some years later built a saw mill on Butte Creek on the present site of Scott's Mills, where he herded a large drove of Spanish cattle. He sold many of his cattle to the immigrants for beef but he is credited with a big heart and early settlers say he gave away much more than he sold. Many persons believed that McKay found the Tillamook treasure as he always had plenty of money and spent it lavishly. He was a good man, and during the early days when the few Americans in Oregon were anxious to be included in the Union, McKay used to say to his Yankee friends: "Well, boys we Americans have got to do something." Though raised under the shadow and in the service of a British Trading Company McKay's heart was loyal to the United States, and his friendship for the immigrants and his many generous acts toward them, endear his name to the memory of every appreciative pioneer who knew him. Whether he got the Tillamook treasure or not will probably never be known, but it is quite likely that he told the correct story about the rather mythical treasure box.

Many old pioneers are just now engaged in furnishing the newspapers in the particular localities in which they reside with thrilling accounts of the "great fire of '49" when the whole country was ablaze, the sun was eclipsed by the smoke, and the streams ran dry.

M. Whitlock, of Silverton writes: Many persons thought the last day had come on the 'red morning,' when the sky was lighted up with the glare of the burning shingle camps some fourteen miles above Silverton when John Hicks lost his wagon and a load of shingles, besides one of his horses by the fire, himself barely escaping with his life. I also know of other instances where people were much alarmed by the falling ashes, the dense smoke and red morning sky. On the red morning (I do not remember the date) I was on Howell Prairie going toward Silverton. The smoke was so thick that I could scarcely see a rod ahead, and charred fern leaves that still retained their perfect shape besides a shower of ashes fell around me.

Samuel Allen who lived on the Abiqua told me that the creek not only ran with lye in 1849, but that it stopped flowing and there are many others who knew of the circumstance and talked about it at the time. The tributaries of the Abiqua are all short and it receives very little water from the feeders on the north side, and with such a fire as the one of '49 on its headwaters it is not unreasonable that it might go dry. That it did so I think there is abundant proof."

It was the biggest fire the whites ever saw in Oregon. During 1868 however, I witnessed another terrific fire on the Molalla. There were four of us hunting in there at the time, and came near losing our horses. The fire enveloped the green timber in a sheet of flame, and nothing could have lived within a quarter of a mile of it, so intense was the heat. There was a strong breeze at the time I killed nine deer in a day and a half during the fire and never saw the sights on my gun at any time I fired. We sat up all night holding our horses and watching the fire from near Table Rock. When we came out the ashes along the North fork of the Molalla was a net work of elk, deer, bear and panther tracks on their way from the fire."

Mr. Whitlock has a cattle ranch in the Cascade mountains, 30 miles northeast from Silverton, and he has been experimenting some with the growing of tame grasses on this mountain land and is prepared to assert that the soil of that district will make the finest growth of such grasses. Potatoes too, and many other kinds of vegetables do well on this mountain soil. It has been the generally accepted idea in the Willamette valley that mountain land was wholly worthless unless it might be for grazing purposes but within the next dozen years men will come to this state who are not afraid to wrestle with rocks and stones, and some of the finest farms in the whole commonwealth will be found on the mountain sides that line the entire length of the Willamette valley. Apropos of this is the memorial to congress adopted by the legislature at its recent session, praying that body to set aside the summits and a goodly portion of their slopes also for a public park. It would be wise to wait before asking such a favor and see if the few years that are still to come in this country will not bring sufficient population into the state to make a portion of these land excedingly valuable.

Near Greenville Washington county lives Mr. Prongua, a gentleman from the republic of Switzerland, and his large small children. Mrs. Prongua died about two years since and if Mr. P had been the ordinary stripe of man he would have farmed the children out or put them on the county, but instead of that he stuck right to his post of duty keeps his little family together works hard for their support has given up the luxuries of life, such as whiskey and tobacco and is battling bravely for his little ones. Of course this is no more than he should do but as he does it cheerfully and makes no boast of it it is worthy of notice.

The Washington county jail cannot reflect much credit upon those who should maintain it if the Hillsboro *Democrat* the new and enterprising paper started in that section is to be believed. It says: "Two narrow cages, unfit for the occupancy of a brute, are all this county has in which to confine prisoners and here are placed men awaiting trial, many of whom may be innocent. Witnesses may also be confined here whose misfortune it is to bear evidence in favor of the state. But the cages are unfit for the confinement even of proven criminals. Torture and cruel and inhuman punishment have been abolished by law and it is nothing less than torture to confine a man in one of these dens for any length of time. The last prisoner's health broke down under such treatment, and the sheriff was compelled by the instincts of humanity to technically violate the law and allow him the liberty of the courtyard in order to prevent his death. Grand juries have severely criticised the jail and it would be true economy for the county to build a new one."

Several years ago Governor Whitaker was president of the state senate. A few minutes after that body had adjourned one day Senator Birch returned to the senate chamber to get a book he had left there. He saw Governor Whitaker sitting by the stove with a sad look on his countenance. He asked the governor what he was doing there when the latter answered: "Sir, the other fellows have stolen all the paper pens knives ink stands, waste baskets and spittoons. There is nothing left for me to steal but the stove, and I am waiting for it to cool so that I can take it." Whether or not he took it is not known; but the story illustrates the manner in which things are carried away at the end of a session.

Umatilla county is jubilant over the success of its senators and representatives in securing for it the legislation of which its inhabitants are most desirous. In the first place Senator Paley's bill to appropriate $10,000 to build a wagon road from Pendleton to Canyon City passed both houses without much trouble, and became a law by the inaction of the governor. All the people of Umatilla and Grant counties now have to do is to build the road and draw on the state treasurer to pay for it. Pendleton, too, will have the supreme court up there once every year, the first Monday in May.

In New York city the goats of Shanty town eke out a precarious existence upon old tin cans and big circus posters with new and then a delicate morsel in the shape of a surreptitiously obtained pair of trousers but out in Yamhill county they fare much better, besides being put to heretofore unheard of practical use. Franklin Yocum, who lives a few miles west of Sheridan has about five hundred of the Angora breed which he keeps for the purpose of clearing off land. Of course it is not expected any one will believe that they really eat down tall timbers but their owner makes the statement that while in the matter of meat and fleece they are not a bad investment, their chief value is their assistance in clearing up and killing out young timber. They keep the sprouts and buds so closely nipped that the stumps soon die and rot.

The farmers of Marion county evidently do not take much interest in the starting of a creamery at Salem, for there was none of them in attendance at the meeting which was called to consider the advisability of establishing such an enterprise there. A new road is not always traveled even when it is a good one, for it is hard to get out of the old rats.

There are now thirty one counties in Oregon. Each of the last three sessions of the legislature has added two to the number. Grant county has been split in two about in the middle creating the county of Harney out of the south end and Wasco county gives up a portion of its broad acres to be hereafter known as Sherman county. It devolves upon the governor to appoint a set of officials to fill the usual offices in these two new subdivisions of the state. Candidates are already beginning to pour in their applications at the governor's office either personally or by letter. The most prominent name mentioned for the office of clerk of Harney county is that of I. B. Baker a former resident of Baker county.

THE LUMBER BUSINESS

The Cause of the Present Dullness in the Trade as Told by San Franciscans.

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 26.—The decision of the lumbermen of Seattle that they will ship no more lumber here until the prices at this point advance causes no apprehension in the minds of local dealers and consumers.

Prominent members of the lumber exchange declare that the market is over stocked and that it will be some time before prices can be materially advanced.

President Starbird states as the reason why the Seattle manufacturers prefer to keep their output at home that by selling their lumber at home they get at retail $12 per 1000. They can get but $12 wholesale by sending it to this city.

In order to meet present condition of the market to financial depression existing in the southern part of the state he said: Lumber that has been going to Los Angeles and San Diego has begun to stop short at this city. Our supply exceeded our demand and the natural result was a laxity in prices. The jumpers and chunk actually came to us and were obliged to make a slight advance in prices. February 1 the price of lumber was advanced from $14 to $16 per thousand, so that our margin is very small. All talk of a lumber trust is nonsense, and does us great injustice. The price of lumber was advanced because we were unable to make a living. It should be advanced to $18 a thousand, but the condition of the market will not permit it.

Mr. Smith junior partner of the firm of Moore & Smith blandly declared that Seattle was welcome to use all its lumber. Better lumber than the product of the Seattle mills was easily to be obtained.

Lumber will be cheap in this city," said he, until our shipping facilities are increased. Transportation is so high that we are shut out of the distant markets and are compelled to confine our trade to home consumers. Give us more ships and that means lower transportation rates and we can send lumber to Australia and South America. Our supply will then diminish and our prices will stiffen."

A BASE LINK ESTABLISHED

An Important Piece of Work by Professor George Davidson.

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 26.—Professor George Davidson of the coast and geodetic survey returned to this city Sunday after four months field service in Los Angeles county. He went south with a large party of assistants to establish a base line in that region similar to that located some years ago in Yolo county. The base line in geodetic work is one actually measured from which all other distances in the survey are calculated and upon which all triangulation depends for accuracy. The Yolo base is now used for all operations on the northern coast. The line just located will serve as a check in possible errors or calculations from the Yolo base. It will be of great value for surveying calculations especially on the southern coast.

Captain Lawson of the coast survey made a general survey for the Los Angeles base some time ago and the present final line does not differ more than ten or fifteen yards at any point from Lawson's line.

The party had four months very likely work but the results were most satisfactory. Professor Davidson is confident that no divergence greater than one fourth of an inch in surveyed lines can be found.

NEW PULLMAN PALACE CARS

A Large Number of Vestibule and Other Cars Under Process of Construction.

WILMINGTON Feb 26.—George M Pullman is building 107 new vestibule cars which when completed will cost over $1,500,000. The one half interest in fifty eight of the cars owned jointly by the Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company and the Pullman Palace Car Company has been purchased for $412,869.

Sixty tourist or second class sleeping cars have also recently been purchased for the Atchison Company at a cost of $261,918. Twenty similar cars which the company have agreed to purchase from the Atlantic & Pacific will cost $97,000.

A fourth interest in seventy similar cars has been purchased for the Union Pacific Railway Company at a cost of $70,000.

Personal and General Notes.

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 26.—Dr. J. M. Gilbert a former member of the Oregon legislature is down from his home in Salem accompanied by his wife and Eugene Heyman and Miss Lena Heyman. They are at the Palace.

O. F. White a real estate man of Tacoma is in the city.

J. L. Atkinson of Portland and Judge J. K. Lewis of Seattle are at the Occidental.

George H. Smith junior member of the firm of Smith Brothers & Butler of Seattle accompanied by his wife is now visiting relatives in the city. They will shortly leave for Los Angeles before returning to their home.

The arrival of seven iron vessels chartered for wheat before arrival at 2 6d to 2 6d above current spot rates in the leading ports in the tonnage market in leave comparatively few vessels due, and so the market for spot tonnage may be held at high rate before such arrivals and a possibility for improvement next month.

Wells Fargo & Co. officials are today without any late news from the pursuers of the train robbers and presumption that the chase into the Indian country will be a long one is confirmed. The last information received came in a press dispatch telling of the presence of a pursuing party in the mountains about seventy miles west of Deland.

G. E. Withington cashier of the First National bank of Portland and J. P. Howe, manager of the New Park theater are among the recent arrivals.

William Hawley a mining man of Idaho and Captain F. M. Holmes of the steamer Umatilla, are here.

J. B. Thompson of Portland is at the Baldwin.

Mr. Moody began a series of meetings at Stockton to-night.

Captain W. G. Oliver, of the American ship Louisiana which arrived to-day from Cardiff, reports that on November 16, W. D. Cooper fell from the main yard arm to the deck, and was instantly killed.

The only complexion Powder in the world that is without vulgarity, without injury to the user, and without doubt a beautifier, is Pozzoni's.

LATEST FOREIGN DRIFT.

Evictions at Hawarden—The Political Leaders—Baseball in England.

Literary Items—Patti to Come Again—Gloom About the English Court—Open Rupture Between Bismarck and Waldersee.

The London correspondent of the New York *Tribune* who, it is probably unnecessary to remark, is no home ruler, no Gladstonian says: "It is all but incredible but in these days it is mostly the incredible which turns out true. Mr. Punch may break his bauble he never produced a joke equal to this. The enemy are in transports. The *Times* itself is making jokes. What is happening on Mr. Gladstone's estate is with due allowance for the difference between England and Ireland exactly what has long been happening on Irish estates. Tenants are in arrears they cannot or will not pay their rents and they are evicted sold up. It is Mr. Gladstone jr. who does it. His father says the *Times* by converting his interest into an annuity charge upon the estate has made himself directly responsible for one of those arrangements so strongly condemned in the case of Irish landlords whereby the capacity of the limited owner to act generously is fatally curtailed.

Young Mr. Gladstone addresses in defense all those arguments which when put forward by Irish landlords father and his father's following have received with scorn and derision. These are the views of the enemy. I hope to give you also the views of friends but when I turn to the congenial columns of the *Daily News* will you believe it—this most faithful of Gladstonian organs is dumb. I can only say this so far as can be judged from published account the Hawarden evictions are just. The evicted tenants have been kindly treated."

An Open Rupture.

An open collision between Bismarck and Waldersee is anticipated over the artillery credits during the debate in the reichstag early in March. The report of Waldersee now before the bundesrath demands a large extra credit. Bismarck opposes the demand and Schellendorf sides with the chancellor denying that there is any necessity for the amount Waldersee recommends. The emperor is undecided but he shows a tendency in favor of Waldersee.

Whether the internal crisis but is into an open rupture or not the fact is certain that the influence of Count Waldersee over the emperor grows while that of Prince Bismarck wanes. Count von Shellendorf's long-pending withdrawal from the war office will be hastened by the dispute. The Waldersee circle announce that his successor will be General Kaltenboen Strachan.

The resignation of Dr. von Schelling Prussian minister of justice is also imminent. He has compromised his position by an imprudent speech in the landtag and by want of judgment. In responding for the members of the reichstag when challenged by the progressist Hermes in the unterhaus regarding the Geffcken documents Dr. von Schelling had the impudence to question the right of the landtag to interfere and referred them to his statements in the reichstag. Progressist Munckel had the house with him in the vindication of the right of the landtag to demand explanations.

The position of Herr von Scholz minister of finance is also shaken on account of the taxation proposals, which have caused dissatisfaction both in the agrarian and industrial parties. The *Tageblatt* ment on Herr Miquel as likely to be appointed finance minister.

The French Election.

Count Herbert Bismarck daily receives long cipher dispatches from the German embassy at Paris and goes personally to present them to the emperor. If the foreign office officials faithfully reflect their chief's opinion the gloomiest view is taken as to the results of the French crisis. General Boulanger is considered to be master of the situation. It is probable that the pending arrangements for the autumn maneuvers in Westphalia will be changed so as to convert the maneuvers into a warming demonstration along the frontier. The plans which have already been shown to the emperor include pontooning operations between Mannheim and Philippsburg after witnessing which the Emperor is to fix his headquarters at Munster for the manoeuvres of the Westphalian and Hanoverian corps. The amended programmes have his headquarters at Mannheim. The interesting and brilliant cavalry agents will share in the demonstration if it is decided upon. The press of all shades of opinion take a pessimistic view of the outlook.

The Political Leaders.

The same correspondent says in his special dispatch of the 14th inst. Mr. Chamberlain continues his Scotch campaign. His mission is to fan the flames of Scottish unionism or as home rulers would say to try to rouse its smouldering embers. His speeches are at any rate full of fire. He has not lost the secret of infuriating his opponent. They burnt him in effigy at Dundee on Thursday night. They would burn him in the flesh in Bouverie street if they could. As they cannot, they roast him in print. His challenge to the Gladstonian member of the Round Table conference to make public the proceedings of that singular body is not well received. Mr. Morley who is making as many speeches as Mr. Chamberlain says everything must come out. If anything a mysterious unintendo the meaning of which I left to my picture. Sir George Trevelyan too is among the orators. He and Mr. Chamberlain drive the scare with an unmeasured person rities. Amid all this flow of oratory the cause of home rule stands apparently still.

A Go a Snow Spelled.

The Reuter that all members of royal families are closely related and should feel each other's griefs keenly a fiction which is strongly encouraged by Queen Victoria gives a gloomy look to things about the English court on many unnecessary occasions. Just now a drawing room is coming on and young women English and American now are debarred. It seems that Romanoff will be with her mother and that therefore all ladies of the court and embassadors' wives will be expected to display their still exciting grief at the death of the Emperor Frederick by appearing in black. Fortunately young women not sufficiently distinguished to belong to the immediate court circle will not be condemned to black, but can wear if no fresh royal death turns up the gay gowns which they have ordered. A good part of the show, however will be spoiled for them and they will to a man or portiority of seeing all the female beauties and their satellites in gorgeous attire.

His Lordship.

The Marquis of Aylesbury famous principally for cheating for his very large fortune and for having been ruled off the English turf has started in an attempt to get a divorce from his wife the Marchioness of Aylesbury. The latter officially known as the Most Honorable the Marchioness of Aylesbury but more commonly spoken of by those who know her as poor little Dolly Tester has had a rough time of it since she gave up her position as a popular ballet girl to marry a peer. It is possible that the marquis may have sufficient technical ground for a divorce but in as much as he married Miss Tester when though never married before she had two children and inasmuch as she has been much better in every way than he deserved it is not likely that he will find any judge on the bench to give him an opportunity to begin life in an unmarried state over again. Such a case if brought to trial would be very interesting all thought in England.

Literary Items.

John Lothrop Motley's correspondence edited by Mr George William Curtis is announced by Mr Murray for Wednesday next. Should it happen to deal with the Grant episode, Mr Bancroft may find it interesting reading.

A curio is copyright story appears in the *Athenæum*. This time it is an American author whose name may be the victim. An almanac can novel by John Ward, Preacher the same which Mr Gladstone was asked to review but failed, is issued here by Messrs Longman who pay Mrs Deland a royalty. As an English copyright was obtained, the Canadian pirates, who publish the book in Canada, are trying to induce some English firm to enter in partnership in this piracy for the English market. Two or three firms are said to have declined, but whether there is virtue enough in the English publishing trade to insure continued refusals is what remains to be seen.

Baseball in England.

The great American baseball team is exciting serious interest among Englishmen, and there is no doubt that the players will receive a hearty welcome in that country. Already newspapers that go in for athletics are looking anxiously about for writers who know enough of baseball to report the game for them, and those who expect to come in contact with the players have been inquiring how they should be received namely as gentlemen or as professionals in the English sense of the term. They have been told and have spread the information that the American baseballers are professionals who would decidedly expect to be treated as gentlemen and very important ones at that and that there would be trouble otherwise. This advice has gone around and will probably be acted upon in a manner satisfactory to the players.

Advices From Vienna.

State that Herr von Tisza's position causes grave anxiety. Popular feeling in Hungary threatens to overthrow the ministry leaving a way for the return of Count Andrassy with a foreign policy not in accord with that of Count Kalnoky. Herr von Tisza has been years of service as minister do not count against the outcry which is now abusing him for passing the army bill. If such a crisis resulting in bloodshed occurs between the troops and the populace of Pesth during the coronation demonstrations against the ministers Prime Minister von Tisza's fall will be imminent. The police will take active measures to prevent such a crisis but the opposition deputies have determined to stand with flags and bands through the principal streets of Pesth and to assemble for the purpose of delivering addresses opposite the palace.

A Less Sorrowful View.

The *North German Gazette* to-day takes a less sorrowful tone. It refers to the all absorbing interest of the foreign press in the explanation for the ferment of the press in the supposed semi official origin of the articles published in the Hungarian *Abendblatt* and quoted thence by the *Austria* and the *Pester Lloyd* which gave unwonted prominence to said article. The paper now declares it it was not written as was surmised by any one in Prince Bismarck's *entourage*. Its suggestions that Count Waldersee would be the chancellor's successor in no wise emanated from the Wilhelmstrasse. The conclusion drawn from these contradictions is that Prince Bismarck no matter what momentary inclination he may have had to withdraw from the worries of official life now means to cling to every post he holds.

His Powers Unshaken.

Herr Fischer, a national liberal deputy, and the burgomaster of Augsburg has written a letter to the Augsburg *Abendpost* explaining what incited Prince Bismarck to warn the nationalists. The national committee recently addressed to a number of members of the group a letter advising great prudence and reserve in the attitude towards the interior policy of the chancellor whose declining powers, said the letter became more and more apparent. Bismarck got hold of a copy of the letter and raised a hurricane about it, blaming the committee for its treachery. He would have disrupted the committee but he finally selected a line of action aiming to show the party that his powers were unbroken and that the country could not do without him."

An Important Result.

The discussion has had an all important result in revealing the expectations of the imperial circle regarding the government after the departure of Bismarck. The emperor has not concealed from his intimate circle his conviction that Bismarck cannot be replaced. When he chooses to resign the emperor will not appoint another *Reichs Kanzler*. The emperor believes that he himself ought to exercise the functions of chancellor with a soldier statesman as *adlatus*. The reference to a soldier statesman points to Count Waldersee concerning whom Prince Bismarck's organs continue to advise the nationalists to cultivate distrust. The *Fremdenblatt* reverts to this theme upon the government group as a watchword.

Nothing in It.

The public discussion of the probable results of a diminution of Prince Bismarck's functions has not produced that general alarm which it was hoped it would create so instructions appear to have been given to the chancellor's organs to minimize the importance of the current reports. There is nothing in it all says the Cologne *Gazette*. What is meant by *Le Grand Journal* of Paris about Bismarck's illness is too much for the people of this country. The fact is well and possesses the fullest confidence of the kaiser. No one in the country excepting perhaps Herr Richter thinks it will either displace or overthrow him. No earnest political party would disturb itself by debating the chances of the chancellor's retirement.

O'Brien and Parnell.

The Irish appeal court has decided that O'Brien shall stay in prison by rejecting the appeal against the judgment of the court at Carrick on Suir on the ground that he was condemned in his absence. The bail bond court decides that magistrates were justified in proceeding with the trial the prisoner having voluntarily absented himself.

Mr. Parnell's health is slightly improved. He looked pale in court on Friday but he says he feels better a slight touch of rheumatism in the shoulder being now his only trouble.

More Visiting.

The Emperor's programme is unsettled except a reception to King Humbert in May. He desires to go to England prior to beginning the round of work involved in receiving return visits from the Czar and Emperor Francis Joseph and the King of Italy Denmark and Sweden. The Schloss Friedrichskron where Empress Frederick died is being prepared for the reception of the imperial family in April.

To Be Married.

That pleasant young man the Duke of Newcastle whom many Americans will remember from his recent trip to New York is to be married to Miss Cundy on Wednesday at the Church of All Saints Margaret street. It will be a very early wedding 9:30 o'clock being the hour fixed. Two little pages will carry the bride's train of silver brocade and the wedding will be a fairly grand one.

Still to Come Again.

Marcus R. Mayer returned to London on Saturday. It is said from Craigy Nos castle in Wales the home of Mme. Adelina Patti Nicolini where he signed a contract with the diva on behalf of Mr. Henry E. Abbey for thirty performances in grand opera in the United States, Canada and Mexico. The *Journal* will commence to publish the first week of December 1889 in New York.

Minister to Washington.

Many fear reaffirms the statement that Sir Julian Pauncefote will be appointed minister to Washington. The alleged official contradiction of this appointment was not official nor final. Currie who is now an assistant undersecretary of the foreign office will succeed Sir Julian Pauncefote as permanent undersecretary.

Fraude.

In writing about Lord Beaconsfield and his life in Ireland a century ago Lord Colchester addressing the Archæological Society describes Froude's history as a romance and says he is a brilliant and fascinating writer but that neither Oxford nor Cambridge should allow him room, the splendid history at the examinations.

Tourists Living Home.

SAN FRANCISCO Feb 26.—Eastern tourists are beginning to leave the southern part of the state very rapidly. Many of them are now in San Diego on the way home. The Rock Island will have an excursion out to-morrow of five cars. Two of the five arrived from Los Angeles to night and the other three came from the city and adjacent points. An excursion last week carried out 240 people. The Atlantic & Pacific had a two car excursion out to night filled with Easterners who have been for the winter in San Francisco.

Don't hawk hawk, blow, spit and disgust every body with your offensive breath, but use Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy and end it.

The Great Rock Island Route is the ticket and the line of car route for all points East. Office 121 First street corner Washington.

WESTERN OREGON MINES.

A District 100 Miles Long, With a Score of Distinct Ledges.

Because the Gold and Silver Lies at Our Very Doors It Is Not Deemed To Be of Much Value.

BROWNSVILLE Or. Feb 26.

The communication of Mr. Harnett in your issue of the 21st inst. concerning the mines of Southern Oregon is timely and every word of that article ought to interest the people of this part of Oregon for it applies equally to the whole state west of the Cascade mountains. You cannot read a newspaper published in California, Nevada, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Colorado or Washington territory but what you will find much news about mines while the papers of our own state is a general thing pay but little attention to this matter and in many of the above named states (especially is it the case in California) there is a state geologist to aid in finding minerals and to keep the people posted in this branch of the state's industry.

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In the states of California and Nevada the ores have been mostly free milling so that this matter of saving the precious metal was an easy one but when we go to Colorado Montana Idaho Colorado and Washington territory we find that while the same rule pays well to work by free milling, no depth is attained the gold is not free but is mixed with base metals chiefly with sulphurets of iron and requires a different treatment than simply crushing and amalgamating. In Blackhawk Colorado there are extensive quartz mines they were discovered by the gold on the creeks and canyons and then began a series of experimenting and failures for several years until they put in concentrators and saved these sulphurets and then they commenced to pay. This same experience had to be gone through with in the large mines of Utah Montana and Idaho.

AT THE CITY.

They used to work finer mines below in the gulches and ravines and even the surface of the ledges yielded free gold while now they are down hundreds of feet and the gold has nearly disappeared and silver lead and copper has taken its place and some of the largest and best paying mines in the world are being worked. At the Big Camas mine, near Wood River Idaho in what is now known as the gold belt the ledge was very large and carried free gold on the surface and a party of Black hills men put up a ten stamp mill, which worked so satisfactorily that other claims were purchased by them and ten stamps more were added to the mill. The ore milled $10 per ton right along and as fuel was cheap they hauled coal from the railroad. They sunk down 200 feet on the ledge and found a fine vein of quartz thirty feet wide carrying heavy bodies of sulphurets of iron. Assays ranged as low as $8 and as high as over $700 in gold and when a practical test was made by free milling process a ton just yielded $4. Concentrators were then added to the mill and they made the ore pay better than ever.

As has been said many times before the strength of Western Oregon in the Cascade range from the sandy on the north, to the California line on the south are full of fine float gold showing that this mineral belt runs across the entire state and by the slow disintegration or rolling of the ledges, all the streams and gulches of this range are supplied with fine particles of gold and every frost and every shower is slowly but surely bringing the metal down.

THE OREGON PACIFIC RAILWAY.

In its Eastward course has at last reached this great mineral belt and has cut across one large ledge which promises good pay, in the Santiam district. We are glad to learn this for it will be the best means of proving the ledges in this great belt which is now tapped in only a few places viz: On the headwaters of the Clackamas Calipooia and Blue and in the Bohemia district on the head of the coast fork of the Willamette on the line of Lane and Douglas counties. Here we have a distance of something like one hundred miles long and running from twenty to thirty distinct ledges carrying more or less gold on the surface and flanked on the whole west by the broad and fertile Willamette valley and where but little snow ever falls and surrounded by forests of the finest timber and cut through by streams of water thus furnishing all the facilities and power needed for successful reduction of ores. Many people are so blinded by prejudice in our midst that they cannot see anything favorable in this Cascade range of mountains—it is too near home. Why only a couple of weeks ago a young man of this city who had spent some months in building in Montana came home and brought down some fine specimens of ore from those justly celebrated mines and in comparing these aforesaid specimens with some here brought from Blue River some people laughed at the idea of there resemblance and yet careful comparison show that the quality color and grain of the quartz exactly the same—blende stone, solid and disseminated sulphurets of iron and the gneiss is the same only that the Montana rock is the richest ore. Neither comes from the 3,000 foot level of the mine while the ore from the Cascades comes from a depth of about

THIRTY FEET BELOW THE SURFACE.

We hear it said many times that there is nothing in these ledges because quartz mills were built a number of years ago at Quartzville and Bohemia and failed to make them pay. Has there been no improvements in mills since those were built? Has there been nothing learned about ores since that time? In 1860 the writer was in Nevada when the price of crushing ore was $40 per ton this did not include the extraction or handling. Truly Mr. Harnett makes the matter very plain when he says: "If with proper machinery and appliances they can make $8 and $10 rock pay millions in Alaska and $40 in California what would the ledges of Oregon pay under the same conditions?" Mr. Harnett says it is estimated that the gold yield per ton does not reach $15 per ton. The gold yield of several leading mines in the Black Hills, which were large producers only averaged from $4 to $6 while the free mill in Alaska which has the largest quartz mill in the world only pays from $4 to $5 per ton and many mines in California are about in the same scale.

We have the necessary farming community at our doors to produce all the food supply we have the most favorable climate in the world for constant working we have endless supplies of the finest timber and everywhere fine streams of water furnishing power to run thousands of stamps or any other machinery required, and last but not least there are hundreds of thousands of tons of quartz extending the whole length of the Cascade range carrying the precious metal and only awaiting the hand of capital to unlock the immense wealth that lies hidden in their rock ribbed sides. The longer we shall have to wait with a population hard to solve but we suppose when no more mines can be found at home states and territories that have plenty of idle capital begin to look around home for investment.

A. B.

A FORGER CAUGHT AT ASTORIA.

C. W. Ross a dapper young man who has been stopping in Astoria for several days says the *Home* forged a check for $50 on a firm in Portland yesterday. He presented it at the First National bank and Cashier Gordon mistrusting something was wrong telegraphed to Portland for information. The answer was so satisfactory that in less than half an hour Mr. Ross who has several other names besides was behind the bars at the county jail. His chances for escape from Astoria are excellent as the case seems to be a clear one.

MORE ABOUT THE MADSTONE.

SEATTLE W. T. Feb 6.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:

In your issue of the 30th inst. I noticed a published interview had between a M. O. correspondent and a Portland physician regarding the Madstone and its properties etc. The correspondent like many others would regard the story as fabulous.

Concerning the formation of the stone I know nothing but I can and do confirm the physician's story as to the manner of its discovery division and properties.

One of these parts is now and for years has been the treasured and valuable property of a family named Wamsley, living at Cleves Ohio a suburban town of Cincinnati. I lived in Cincinnati until last September, and personally know of the Wamsley family, of the wonderful stone, also of instances where it has been successfully used, even after the patient had begin to feel the approach of the dreadful disease, hydrophobia.

The stone while not in use is pure white in color but when applied to a sufferer from mad-dog bite it adheres to the flesh until filled with poison which causes it to change to a green color and drop from the flesh. It is purified by soaking in new milk. I know of one case where it adhered for thirty-six hours in all to the unfortunate victim of a bite inflicted by a dog suffering from hydrophobia.

AN ATTORNEY.

YAMHILL NOTES.

MCMINNVILLE Or. Feb 26.

Jones & Co. will soon begin the erection of a mammoth sash and door factory on a part of the Six mill property.

The ladies of the Coffee club gave a supper on the evening of the 22d for the benefit of the firemen. Net proceeds $70.

A $40,000 fruit cannery is to be built here the coming summer. $37,000 having already been raised in Chicago and Indianapolis for that purpose.

A bill authorizing the city of McMinnville to put up $40,000 water works has passed the legislature and operations will probably begin on or by the first of May.

Mr. Hill's $8000 creamery will be in operation here about April 1st. The building is being fitted up with an iron roof and other substantial improvements and the machinery is expected to arrive soon.

Mr. J. H. Henderson of this place is dangerously ill with pneumonia fever. His father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hunter on of Portland are here with him. Rev. Sisters Mary Judge Deady and Mrs. Colvin.

DIED FROM HIS INJURIES.

LOWER GRANITE Feb 25.

Mathias Cheldelin aged 14 of Nebraska valley who received such a severe injury by being struck with a maple limb above the left eye of whom prior mention was recently made in your paper died Sunday the 17th inst. and was buried on the 19th. D. W. Ward a surgeon at the place performed an operation for his relief. He began to grow worse and never fully thereafter so much so that the father owing to his impoverished circumstances (not feeling able to defray the expenses necessary to his remaining here) concluded to remove him home a distance of about fifty miles. He began to grow worse after having traveled a short distance a conclusive fact that the jar and motion unavoidable upon traveling so soon after the operation, produced a severe inflammation of the brain and its membranes, which resulted fatally.

The Wreck of the General Ord.

SAN FRANCISCO Feb. 26.—Captain Graves of the steamer Point Arena which arrived to day says the schooner General Ord which is on the beach at Point Arena is standing nearly upright. The deck load has shifted somewhat and the sea is getting smoother. He thinks she will become a total loss. Insurance on the general is $30,000 placed as follows: $20,000 in the Magnaburg Genera. $800 in the Franco-Hungarian $700 in the South British. The cargo is insured for $1000 in the California. Captain Hutchinson has been sent up to the wreck by the California Insurance Company to see what can be saved.

A Convict Stabbed to Death.

SAN RAFAEL Feb 25.—This morning shortly after midnight as the night shift in the jute mill at San Quentin was leaving the mill, Henry Lewis a convict, was stabbed in the breast abdomen and back. Lewis is supposed to be an assumed name, his real name being Isaac Lekosby, committed from San Francisco for burglary. Coroner Eden removed the body to the morgue. The name of the person who committed the deed is unknown.

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COMMERCIAL.

THURSDAY, Feb. 28.

High Water.		Low Water.			
A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.		
Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
6:36	8.9 ft.	12:31	0.7 ft.	5:53	3.5 ft.

ARRIVED WEDNESDAY, Feb. 27.

Steamer Bonita, Crosbie, from Coos Bay.

Steamer Wilson G. Hunt, Keasey, from San Francisco.

Steamer Columbia, Pease, from Astoria.

Steamer Telephone, Wilson, from Astoria.

Steamer Fearless, Ward, from Astoria.

Steamer Lurline, Hall, from Tillamook.

Steamer Ancon, Hall, from Tacoma.

Steamer Willamette Valley, Hall, from Tacoma.

Steamer Wide West, Hall, from Tacoma.

Steamer Alliance, Hall, from Tacoma.

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THE OLD VETS IN COUNCIL.

Second Days' Proceedings of the Department Encampment G. A. R.

Election of Officers—The Installation Ceremonies—Next Place of Meeting—Resolutions—Camp Fire—Women's Relief Corps.

At 9:30 o'clock A. M. yesterday, the Eighth Department encampment, G. A. R. of Oregon, met.

The reports of officers and committees having been read and disposed of, the annual election of officers was proceeded with.

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS ELECTED

The result of the election was as follows:

E. B. McElroy, of Sedgwick Post No. 10, Salem, B. B. Tuttle, of George Wright Post No. 1, Portland, and Jas. A. Varney, of Jas W. Nesmith Post No. 32, The Dalles, were nominated. A ballot resulted in the election of Comrade McElroy.

Comrade E. Martin, of Sumner Post, East Portland, No. 12, was elected by acclamation senior vice department commander. Comrade J. L. Current, of Kit Carson Post No. 25, Pendleton, was also elected by acclamation to the office of junior vice department commander. Dr. J. W. Haines, of G. K. Warren Post No. 21, North Yamhill, was elected medical director, and C. L. Pray, of George Wright Post No. 1, department chaplain. Comrades B. C. Sherman and D. W. Matthews, of Sedgwick Post No. 10, Salem, were appointed by the department commander-elect, as assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general, respectively.

The council of administration elected were J. A. Sladen, of Garfield post No. 7, Portland; S. H. Carnahey, of H. H. Thomas post No. 11, Silverton; J. M. Parvin, Sedgwick post, No. 11, Salem; F. M. Garrison, Baker post No. 8, Marshfield; S. K. Rankin, George Wright post, No. 1, Portland; H. G. Hunsch, of Keno post No. 29, Roseburg, and J. F. Lombard, of George Wright post No. 1, were elected representatives to the national encampment. The alternates to same are: W. Rix, of Lincoln, No. 4, Portland, and J. A. Speight, of J. W. Geary No. 7, of Eugene City.

One hundred and eight votes were cast at the election, a larger number than ever voted at any previous encampment.

JOINTLY INSTALLED

The department officers-elect together with the department officers of the Woman's Relief Corps were jointly installed at 2:30 P. M. by the installing officers of each organization.

NEXT ENCAMPMENT

The next encampment was, by vote fixed for February 22, 1890 (anniversary of Lincoln's birthday) at Eugene City.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Resolutions were adopted as follows:

Resolved, That this department protests against the use of Memorial Day for excursions from points where G. A. R. posts are located, but that such day be observed by the usual exercises prescribed by the G. A. R.

Resolved, That this encampment condemns the removal of any such soldier by any political party for political reasons, from office and this encampment asks for the restoration of any such soldier to the office from which he may have been so removed, and that copies be sent to the state representatives in Washington.

VOTE OF THANKS.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the O. R. & N. Co., the Southern Pacific Co. and Oregonian R. R. Co., for reduced rates of fare granted members of the encampment and Relief Corps.

A vote of thanks was passed to the managers of the Cyclorama company for the reduced rates of admission to members to view the painting of the battle of Gettysburg.

THE ATTENDANCE.

The encampment was more than usually well attended, scarcely a post unrepresented, and full committee rooms from many harmony and enthusiasm marked the proceedings. The reports of officers were full and satisfactory. At 4:30 P. M., Department Commander Borthwick resigned the gavel to Commander McElroy, who in a few well chosen words closed the eighth annual encampment.

WISE SELECTION OF OFFICERS

The comrades of the department are to be congratulated on the selection of officers the office of department commander being the most important, it was conceded that either of the candidates named for that office would have filled it with honor and credit. The office of the encampment was pleasantly acquiesced in by the other candidates and their friends. The other officers elected are old G. A. R. men, most of whom have heretofore filled positions of responsibility and honor in the order.

G. A. R. CAMP FIRE.

The camp fire last evening given to members of the encampment and relief corps and their friends was a great success. The joint hall of post and corps was densely packed with Grand Army folks.

A pleasing programme was presented by the joint committee from the three local posts, as follows:

Address of welcome, Comrade H. H. Northup.

"Woman's Relief Corps," Comrade R. G. Hursch.

Recitation, "Searching Among the Stars," Miss Rankin.

Recitation of Captain Jack Crawford's poem "Words of the Army," Comrade Will T. Boyd.

"Department Commanders," Comrade F. M. Johnson.

"The Army Mule," Captain W. B. Humphrey.

Piano solo, Miss Pinkie Sears.

Short remarks were made by Comrade Edwards, of California, and Maxwell, of the Oregon legislature.

Commander McElroy then introduced the daughters of the encampment.

Lunch being announced, a delegation of comrades was detailed to hand around the feast. Then indulged in, but hard tack and coffee, the soldier's ration, hot cakes, coffee, sandwiches, cream rolls, etc., after a full and free discussion of which the camp fire adjourned.

WOMANS RELIEF CORPS.

The annual convention of the Womans Relief Corps department of Oregon closed their labors contemporaneously with the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The attendance was large and the work of the corps as reported by the department officers for the past year showed that much progress has been made in their field of labor.

ELECTION.

The following officers were elected: Department president, Mrs. Julia Abraham, senior vice president, Mrs. Hessie Shane, junior vice president, Mrs. Bettie Ward, secretary, Mrs. Jennie Stanton, treasurer, Mrs. Clara Fullerton, chaplain, Mrs. Mary Ellis; counselor, Mrs. Sarah E. Miller; inspector, Eliza Wooden, instituting and installing officer, Mrs. Fannie Lounsbury; executive board, Mary J. Irvine, Mrs. Irena C. Parker, Mrs. Sarah E. Adair, Mrs. Huldah B. Miller and Mrs. Mary C. Rodgers.

ARRIVAL OF M. F. MULKEY'S REMAINS

Meeting of the Portland Bar to Show Respect to the Memory of the Dead Attorney.

As was announced in yesterday's OREGONIAN, a large number of prominent attorneys met in Judge Shattuck's court yesterday morning to make arrangements for the reception of the remains of Marion F. Mulkey, the well known Portland attorney, who died in Oakland Cal. Monday last.

The request of Judges Shattuck and Stearns met with a general response, and the following members of the bar met in the room to take suitable action to show their respect to the memory of the departed: C. M. Idleman, C. J. McDougal, J. M. Bower, C. B. Bellinger, T. A. Stephens, Joseph Simon, A. H. Tanner, W. B. Gilbert, John M. Gearin, S. B. Huntington, J. C. Moreland, Richard Williams, J. F. Watson, Fred Strong, E. Mendenhall, R. F. Jolly, A. F. Sears, Jr., S. H. Greene, J. W. Whalley, John Catlin, W. W. S. Ebersole, H. E. McGinn, Alex Sweinhart, J. F. Booth, William Foley, C. W. Nickum, Gilbert McGinn, Sidney Bell, T. B. Williams, John Hindshaw, Raleigh Stott, Ira Jones and H. H. Northup.

As a committee to receive the remains of Mr. Mulkey and attend the funeral, Judge Shattuck appointed the following gentlemen: C. B. Bellinger, Richard Williams, J. F. Caples, T. A. Stephens, H. E. McGinn, R. Stott, C. W. Nickum, John Catlin, J. C. Moreland and T. H. Strong.

A committee to draft suitable resolutions will report at some future meeting to be called by Judge Shattuck.

The train, bearing the remains, that were accompanied by Mrs. Mulkey and Judge Caples and others who had gone to meet them at Oregon City, was behind time. It was nearly 12 o'clock when the train pulled up to the depot in East Portland. The committee appointed by Judge Shattuck was present to receive the remains and escorted the hearse to the late residence on the corner of Mill and Tenth streets. The funeral will be held at the residence at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

LETTER FROM JOHN F. MILLER

He Makes a Statement in Regard to Certain Charges Against Himself.

JESSEVILLE, Or., Feb. 25.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:

In THE OREGONIAN of a very recent date I noticed the following paragraph in the court proceedings:

In the United States circuit court yesterday the suit of the United States against John F. Miller was dismissed. Some months ago suit was brought against Mr. Miller to compel him to remove certain fences, inclosing 440 acres of public land in Klamath county, Oregon. Some time last summer Special Agent Brockenbrough was ordered to re-examine the case. An arrangement was effected by which Miller removed the fences referred to and hence the attorney-general, at the suggestion of the secretary of the interior ordered the suit to be dismissed.

To the above charge, Mr. Editor, I answered under oath to the complaint alleged to that I had never fenced any government land. If that testimony was false, then Agent McCormick, Major Brockenbrough and the United States district attorney for Oregon would most likely, after an effort of nearly two years to add something against me, have been pushing this suit instead of having it dismissed.

As to some compromise between me and the government, mentioned above, it is simply untrue. No compromise was ever talked about. I defied them to push their slanderous suit.

You will see the suit commenced against me was for fencing 440 acres of government land. This land was the property of G. W. Lomsley and C. Raffety.

On leaving Oregon, and just before the presidential election, McCormick published in some Eastern papers, which I believe was copied in THE OREGONIAN, that I had fenced illegally some 80,000 acres of government land.

By giving this a place in THE OREGONIAN you will greatly oblige JOHN F. MILLER.

IDAHO'S GIANT STRIDES.

Her Rapid Advancement in Every Direction of Progress.

Great Irrigating Canals To Be Built, Thus Reclaiming Millions of Acres of Arable Land—the Legislature.

Hon. A. F. Parker, the graphic pencil pusher of the *Idaho Tree Press*, whose descriptive articles on Idaho territory have been read with pleasure by the thousands of readers of the OREGONIAN for many years past, arrived from Boise City yesterday, and knowing him to be a walking epitome of facts relating to the resources, advantages and industries of his territory, a reporter sought him out and was greeted with that urbanity and fellow feeling which hard working journalists experience towards each other.

In response to a question as to affairs in Idaho, Mr. Parker said: "The territory is making giant strides towards progress and prosperity, and that her growth in the next five years would exceed that which had occurred since its organization in 1863. In Southern Idaho the growth which has taken place in the last five years is remarkable and the influx of immigration continues unabated. The opening of the Fort Hall Indian reservation will also open to public settlement a tract of land of good lands which will be speedily occupied and made to support a dense population. The town of Pocatello started last year has already 500 buildings and another thousand will surely go up this summer. Great irrigating canals are being built and a syndicate of New York and Boston capitalists are maturing a scheme to take out the waters of Snake river at Eagle rock and divert them on to the great Snake plains which border that stream, thus reclaiming millions of acres of arable land from the desert and rendering them productive. Senator Shoup stated in the senate the other day that the great Snake river valley was capable of sustaining a population of 1,000,000 inhabitants, and although the statement may appear incredible to those who do not intimately know the great extent and resources of that country, it is reasonable enough to those who do and I expect to live to see the day when every acre of those sage lands that lies under a water ditch will be worth $20 an acre. The soil is very fertile and needs but the one element of water to produce enormously.

Are the northern counties growing?

"Yes, the northern counties are increasing faster in proportion to population, area and wealth, than the southern counties owing to the fact that the agricultural lands in the Panhandle do not require irrigation to become productive and they are therefore considered more desirable for settlement and are fast being absorbed. In fact outside of Idaho county, there is not much very desirable land left that is fit for agriculture except in isolated spots. The growth of the north is retarded by Indian reservations, and the prospect does not look very favorable for a speedy settlement of the Indian problem. Both the Nez Perce and Coeur d'Alene Indians have our best lands under lock and key as it were, and the country adjacent thereto is afflicted with a physical dry rot and stagnation in consequence. The Nez Perce reservation by pretty much all under fence now, and the Indians themselves are beginning to see that the severally system is the only one under which they can live in the future. The reservation system, however, has its adherents, and they are fighting hard to maintain things *in statu quo*."

"What is the character of the Nez Perce Indians, and how do you get along with the whites?

"The Nez Perces and the Pen d'Oreilles are the mother tribes of all the Northwest inter mountain Indians, and the character of the Nez Perces is very high. Their record is one of unblemished loyalty to the whites and they are steadfast friends to our people. They herd their stock under the laws of the territory and are otherwise far advanced in civilization. The Kamaihs, in particular, are very intelligent, and gave us great assistance in the Chief Joseph outbreak of 1877. At Mount Idaho we have a mission school which is attended by large numbers of Indian children and many of the older Indians are ruggedly ordained preachers of the Presbyterian persuasion, and occasionally preach to the whites in the villages bordering on the reservation. In fact they are the best, the most intelligent Indians on the coast, and the government would find them a good tribe upon whom to make a thorough trial of the severalty system as they have been self-sustaining have abandoned their tribal relations and have for many years lived without a chief.

What was the result of the late legislative session in Boise City?

"There were not many laws enacted and but few were needed. The code of California was adopted two years ago and revision was only necessary in a few instances. A new act aimed to disfranchise the Mormons more completely than ever was incorporated into the political code, and the civil code was amended in places to conform to or to facilitate the practice before the courts of civil procedure. The other legislative acts were appropriations for beneficial acts, as, for instance, the creation of a territorial university at Moscow at a cost of $65,000 and another of $50,000 to build a ready 500 buildings and another thousand will surely go up this summer. Great irrigating canals are being built and a syndicate of New York and Boston capitalists are maturing a scheme to take out the waters of Snake river at Eagle rock and divert them on to the great Snake plains which border that stream, thus reclaiming millions of acres of arable land from the desert and rendering them productive. Senator Shoup stated in the senate the other day that the great Snake river valley was capable of sustaining a population of 1,000,000 inhabitants, and although the statement may appear incredible to those who do not intimately know the great extent and resources of that country, it is reasonable enough to those who do and I expect to live to see the day when every acre of those sage lands that lies under a water ditch will be worth $20 an acre. The soil is very fertile and needs but the one element of water to produce enormously.

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